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MATTHAI ON DELHI DEAL WITH MONETARY FUND

"Not Possible To Say Any Particular Category Of Goods Was Purchased"

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (API): The Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai, in a statement in the Indian Parliament today, said that Government of India were examining with the help of the International Bank Mission, now in India, all their developmental plans, with a view to determining which of them might be suitable for being financed by a loan from the Bank.

Dr. Matthai could not, however give any indication either of the amounts for which the Government might ultimately apply for a loan or the terms or conditions on which the loan might be ultimately granted.

80 Millions Borrowed

As regards the International Monetary Fund, Dr. Matthai said that India had been taking advantage of it to meet her dollar deficit. She started borrowing from the Fund in March last year and had hitherto borrowed 80 million dollars.

Dr. Matthai said: "As considerable interest has been evinced in the country and by honourable members regarding the subject of India taking loans from the International Monetary Fund and International Bank, I should like with your permission, sir, to make a full statement dealing with the matter.

INDIA, FOUNDER-MEMBER

"The International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development are two connected but independent organisations which were established by international Agreement in the year 1944. India is a founder-member of both these institutions and has a permanent seat on the Board of Directors of both. I lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the membership of these institutions, the quota of each member in the International Monetary Fund and the share capital owned by each member in the International Bank for reconstruction and development. India's quota in the fund is 400 million and so is her share capital in the bank.

The functions of these two institutions are entirely different in character. The International Monetary Fund is an organisation which lends currencies to its members for short-terms to meet temporary disequilibria in their balances of payments. The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, on the other hand, lends money on long term basis either for particular projects needing to be financed or generally for the reconstruction and development of a member country's economy.

HOW IT IS USED

India has been taking advantage of her membership of the International Monetary Fund to meet her dollar deficit. She started borrowing from the Fund in March 1948 and has hitherto borrowed 80 million dollars. This money has been used for current purposes, and it is not possible to say that any particular class or category of goods was purchased from this money.

GENESIS OF HOAR MISSION

"This, however, is short term finance and is not suitable for the provision of funds for Capital and Developmental projects which take a long period to attain productivity. To provide foreign exchange for such projects is a function of the International Bank. It is the practice of this Bank to send out a technical mission to countries which feel that they will require a loan with the object both of assessing their economic and financial situation and of helping the country concerned to make out its case for a loan in the form desired by the bank. The Government of India feel that many of their developmental projects have now reached a stage at which work might be started on them or accelerated if arrangements could be made for making available the necessary foreign exchange. They, therefore, invited the bank to send out a mission with a view to acquainting themselves, at first hand, with the Indian situation and its requirements and for discussing with Government the projects which might qualify for a loan from the bank. Accordingly a mission headed by Mr. A. S. G Hoar Assistant Loan Director of the Bank, arrived in New Delhi on January 24, 1949 and has been engaged in conversations with officials of the Government of India.

This mission will shortly proceed to tour to see for themselves the works which are in progress in various parts of the country as also to acquaint themselves with the existing industrial potential of the country. They expect to stay in India for about six weeks.

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SARDAR'S HUMOUR CHEERS HOUSE

Budget Session Opens With Dull Question Hour

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1.

The Budget Session of Dominion Parliament opening here this morning found familiar gladiators occupying the stage. Mr Sidhwa was the first on the question list and opened proceedings with questions which ranged from Economy Commttee to Bhopal and Razakars.

Finance Minister Matthai told the House that imports of foreign liquors had earned two and half crores for India.

Pt. Maitra thereupon suggested whether it would not be preferable to raise the rates of import duty to total prohibition. Professor Ranga wanted to know the cost of Prohibition and figures of unemployment amongst toddy tappers.

QUESTION HOUR DULL

The question hour, however, was dull and proceedings duller still. Galleries were almost empty and ladies' gallery totally deserted.

Sardar Patel was cheered when he announced that Government did not recognise "Akali party". The House was happy to hear his firm replies "with unbounded sense of humour"

Lobbies anticipated debate on food situation. The Congress Party, it is further learned, approved of discussion on the non-official resolution on the failure of grow-more-food campaign.

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SEVEN NEW BILLS INTRODUCED

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (API): Seven new bills were introduced in the Dominion Parliament when the budget session began this morning.

Dr. John Matthai, Finance Minister, introduced a bill to limit dividends which may be paid by public companies. The object of the Bill is to continue the provisions of an Ordinance for this purpose, which was issued on October 29 last until December 31, 1950. The bill provides that the amount distributed by Public Companies as dividend should be limited to the average annual amount distributed in cash during the two years ending 31st March 1948 or six percent of the paid up Capital of the Company, whichever is higher.

TEA COMMITTEE

The Commerce Minister, Mr. K. C. Neogy, introduced a bill providing for the development of the Tea Industry under Central control. The bill envisages the establishment of a Tea Committee for India and the levy of Customs Duty on tea produced in and exported from India. The proposed Tea Committee is to replace the Indian Tea Market Expansion Board to enable the Tea Committee to discharge its functions effectively. It is proposed to enhance the maximum rate of cess which may be levied on exports of tea from Rupees 1 8 per hundred pounds to rupees two per hundred pounds.

The Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, introduced a bill to amend the Indian Emigration Act of 1922, designed to extend the Act to acceding Indian States. The statement of objects points out that the lack of power to control emigration through ports in acceding States may operate to the detriment of Indians proceeding through these ports, and the Bill is designed to provide for this difficulty.

PROPERTIES OF TWO STATES.

The Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, introduced a Bill, providing for the vesting of certain properties belonging to the States of Mangrol and Manavdar in Kathiawar in the managers of the said States. Provision already exists for this purpose in the form of an Ordinance which expires on February 15 and the bill is designed to retain the provisions of this ordinance permanently.

The Commerce Minister, Mr. K. C. Neogy, introduced another bill to amend the Protective Duties Act, 1946 seeking to extend the life of the Act by another two years with effect from April 1, 1949.

INDONESIAN ADVOCATES IN SECURITY COUNCIL

Representatives of the three countries invited by the Security Council to take part in the discussions on the Indonesian question. (Left to right: General Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines, Rama Rau of India and Norman Makin of Australia.—U. N. Photo.

'NETHERLANDS HAS THROWN OFF HER MASK'

HANDLOOM CLOTH FOR PAKISTAN

India Government Decision To Permit Free Exports

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (API): The Government of India have agreed to permit free export of handloom cloth to Pakistan for a period of three months, it is learnt.

Mr. M. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar who met the Commerce Minister, Mr. Neogy and the Industries Minister Dr. Mookherjee in this connection represented to Government that large stocks of handloom cloth had piled up, especially in the scarcity areas in Madras were weavers and their families were put to great hardship and privation. While the recent inter-Dominion trade agreement provided for the export of mill manufactured cloth to Pakistan in exchange for jute, cotton etc handloom cloth had been left out. A large number of people in South anad elsewhere in the country were engaged in the handloom weaving industry and they would be hard put to it if sufficient encouragement was not given to them. Pakistan was a near market which should not be neglected.

It was stated on behalf of the Government that restricted export of cloth could not be agreed to so long as the dearth for cloth continued in the country. However, to enable the handloom weavers in the country to dispose of their present accumulated stocks, Government would be prepared to permit free exports for three months to Pakistan.

Indonesian Reaction To Hague's Latest

NEW DELHI, Feb 1 (UPI): "The information from the Hague that the Dutch Government has informed Prime Minister Dr. Hatta that it does no longer recognise the Republic of Indonesia as a political entity within her own territory, has at length cleared up the proper intentions of the Netherlands", says Dr. A.A. Maramis, Foreign Minister of Indonesian Republic Government in a statement today.

He adds: "Upto now the Dutch Government tried to maintain the fiction that it has launched the military action simply and solely to make possible free elections by clearing the republic of terroristic elements. It is now clear that the so-called police action was not directed against the republic of Indonesia as such.

"Netherlands has thrown off her her mask, and she appears before the world in the same garment as Nazi-Germany did, when it invaded Czechoslovakia and Austria, symply incorporated these countries in the Reich and two years later made the Netherlands also the victim of its desire for province under the name "westmark".

"Like Nazi-Germany and Fascist-Italy in 1935 to 1938, challenging the League of Nations, now the Netherlands, led by the descendants of Grotius, Bynkershoek and Van Vollinhoren, challenges the United Nations Organization".

POSTAL WORKERS SERVE NOTICE

Strike To Commence On March 9

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): The Union of Post and Telegraph workers, which claims to have a membership of 40,000 has served a strike notice on the postal authorities today, demanding "revision of pay scales, grant of dearness allowance in accordance with the Pay Commission's recommendations, confirmation of temporary staff, reduction of working hours and removal of anomalies arising out of the implementation of the Pay Commission's recommendations". The strike is due to commence from March 9.

Mr. Om Prakash Gupta, General Secretary of the Union, explaining the various grievances of the Postal workers said that the strike decision was taken purely on economic consideration. There were no political groupings in the Union, he added, and the strike would be conducted in a peaceful manner.

The All-India Postmen and Lower-Grade Staff Union which claims to represent 25,000 employees will meet here on February 23 to consider the result of its strike ballot.

SHARES OF JOINT STOCK COMPANIES

Ban On Transfer And Sale By Evacuee Owners Removed

KARACHI, Feb. 1, (A.P.I.): The Governments of Pakistan and India have withdrawn all restrictions imposed by them on the transfer and sale of shares of joint stock companies of evacuee owners, states a Press Note issued today by the Ministry of Finance, Government of Pakistan. Such shares or debentures of evacuee owners are now freely transferable from one Dominion to the other, the Note adds.

BHOPAL BAN ON PROCESSIONS

Nawab Assures Review Of Situation

BHOPAL, Feb. 1 (API)—The Nawab of Bhopal in a message to the people of Bhopal today, said that his first and foremost duty at the moment was the restoration of normal conditions so that they might be in a position to ponder calmly and cooly over matters pertaining to the future.

"It is with this end in view" the Nawab said. "That I am examining the cases of all those who have been sentenced or are under trial for having defied the ban on processions and meetings".

The Nawab announced that he would be able to issue an order as speedily as possible for the release of as many persons as possible who had been detained under the action taken by the State authorities against the R. S. S. and its sympathisers and also to remove the restrictions on public meetings and processions at an early date.

BRITISH CABINET RESHUFFLE

London, Feb.1 (Pti-Reuter): Prime Minister Clement Attlee has appointed Mr. Lewis John Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Health to be Parlimentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, in succession to Mr. John Belcher in a junior ministerial reshuffle officially announced tonight.

NORWAY'S 'FIRM' REPLY TO RUSSIA'S NOTE

OSLO, Feb. 1, (Pti-Reuter): Foreign Minister Halvard Manthey Lange, today received M. E. A. Afanasiev, Soviet Ambassador in Oslo, and gave him the Norwegian reply to Russia's note of January 29, enquiring about Norway's attitude to the proposed North Atlantic Pact.

The report was reported to be "firm in tone".

Usually well-informed sources here tonight thought the reply containedtic Pact. two main points.

1. Norway has not yet decided to join the proposed Atlantic Pact.

2. No full details of the proposed Pact have yet been communicated officially to Norway.

It was understood here that during last week-end's Scandinavian Defence talks, Norway told the Swedish and Danish delegates that she would require very full guarantees before binding herself to any proposed Atlan-

HOMAGE TO INDIA'S DISTINGUISHED SONS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): In the Dominion Parliament, the Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru made a reference to the passing away of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Sir Akbar Hydari, Mr. G. A. Natesan, Mr. Shafi Daud of Bihar, Mr. Pellingiri Gounder of Madras and Mr. Abdul Matin Chaudhry of Assam. After the Speaker, Mr. G. V. Mavlankar had associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Prime Minister, the House stood up in silence for a minute as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

ASIAN TRADE UNION CONFERENCE

PARIS, Feb. 1, (Pti-Reuter): A plan for an Asian Trade Union Conference to meet in Communist held Peiping, North China, early in May was recommended to the Executive Committee of the World Federation of Trade Unions here today.

AMENDMENT TO MOTOR VEHICLES TAX ACT

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Bombay Motor Vehicles Tax Act, 1935, is proposed to be amended so as to make a provision for holding the purchaser of a vehicle liable for all arrears of tax due from the previous owner. The amending Bill has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette of January 29, 1949.

HYDERABAD STRIKE TO BE CALLED OFF

HYDERABAD Feb. 1 (API)—The strike of about 8,000 factory workers in Hyderabad and Secunderabad affiliated to the Indian National Trade Union Congress, which entered the second day today will, it is learnt, be called off tomorrow.

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Communist General Killed In Fighting

NANKING WARSHIPS KEEP DAY-AND-NIGHT PATROL ON YANGTSE

Five-Man Government Peace Mission To Leave For Peiping

NANKING Feb. 1 [(PTI-Reuter)]: Chinese Government warships keeping day and night patrol on the Yangtse River today bombarded Communist troops fighting their way into Icheng, two miles from the north bank and 30 miles east of Nanking.

Further inland in the Kaoyu Lake region, the Communists, who had steadily advanced to the Yangtse on a broad front facing Nanking and Shanghai, were feverishly building 500 river craft for a mass crossing, a Nanking evening newspaper reported.

"Red" General Killed

Telephoned reports from Chinkiang, Government stronghold on the south bank of the river said, the Communists were in control of three quarters of Icheng when Government warships opened fire. Communist General Hsueh was kiled in the heavy fighting, the reports said.

Government troops evacuating the north bank port of Tsingiang, east of Icheng, were said to have blown up river installations in their retreat.

The Government commander in Hankow, General Pai Chung Hsi told Reuter that he was determined to hold his sector of the Yangtse river line and had no intention of evacuating Yangtse river ports such as Ichang Shasi and Kienli, all west of Hankow.

Fresh Communist troops were today marching into surrendered Peiping where a "Peoples Peace Delegation" from the Capital arrived by air, it was reported in Nanking.

The delegation comprised seven professors and several journalists. They will present a 10-point peace programme for Communist consideration.

FIVE-MAN GOVERNMENT MISSION

According to Chinese reports, a Five-Man Government Mission will leave Shanghai by plane for Peiping on February 6 to start peace talks with Communists.

This Mission will be headed by Dr. W. W. Yen, former Chinese Ambassador to the United States, who was chosen by the Acting President Li Tsung Jen during his unexpected visit to Shanghai yesterday, the report said.

President Li has decided to continue preparations for defensive war while exploiting all possible means of reaching a peace settlement, usually reliable sources stated.

General Ho Ying Chin, former Defence Minister, now recuperating in Shanghai from a serious illness, was said to have cancelled his plan to go to Formosa agreeing to return to Nanking to aid the defence of he Yangtse line.

COMMUNISTS WARNED

Irrelevant Issues Make Peace Impossible

NANKING, Feb. 1 (Reuter): The Chinese Gavernment has warned the Communists that if they persist in raising irrelevant issues during the peace overtures it would be impossible to meet their demands and come to terms.

A Government spokesman rejected the three points in the Communist broadcast of three days ago, which demanded the imprisonment of the released former Japanese General, Ikamura, who had been accused of war crimes the imprisonment of 47 nationalists on the Communists war criminals list and the "complete liberation" of Peiping.

If China's internecine dispute was to be settled through political means, the spokesman said, it was necessary to preserve mutual respect and make mutual concessions.

The Government earnestly hoped the Communists would show the utmost sincerity and help to hurry the convening of peace talks.

The acting President Li Tsung Jen, flew from here to Shanghai yesterday for talks with Premier Sun Fo, Foreign Minister, Wu Te Chen, and other Kuomintang elder statesmen now on their way to the new seat of Government at Canton, in the south. The Conference was reported to have decided that a strong delegation, including financier K. P. Chen and diplomat Yu Yu-Ching, should leave for Communist occupied Peiping to contact the Communists, who steadily consolidating their positions along the north bank of the Yangtse River, had agreed in a radio broadcast to a separate peace for the threatened Nanking-Shanghai area.

Prominent local Chinese in Shanghai, China's commercial capital, were said to be working actively behind the scenes for a regional truce, and a "people's peace delegation" was reported to have left for Peiping to meet the Communists.

GANDHI MEMORIAL FUND

BOMBAY, Tuesday, (A. P. I.): Collections for the Gandhi National Memorial Fund in Bombay totalled up-to-day, Rs. 29,54,064/3, it is announced.

BURMESE ARMY CHIEF RESIGNS

Sequel To Revolt Of Karen Tribesmen

RANGOON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Six people were killed and several injured when Government troops, fighting a country-wide uprising by Karen tribesmen, fired into Karen quarters in the Insein suburbs of Rangoon last night, it was reported today.

About 60 houses were burned down and the blaze spread to the headquarters of the Karen National Union.

The Government today granted a month's leave for "health reasons" to General Smith Dun (a Karen) who commands the Burmese army. General Smith Dun offered his resignation yesterday and pro-Government sources said his decision was related to the revolt by the tribesmen, who are Burma's largest minority.

It was officially announced that General Nay Win, Deputy Commander-in-Chief succeeds him as General Officer Commanding.

Official sources said that the Government had asked India to postpone the goodwill mission expected here tomorrow because of the "grave situation in the country".

The mission was to be headed by Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, President of the Indian National Congress.

Commonwealth Telegraphs Bill

LONDON, Feb. 1, (Pti-Reuter): The House of Commons today gave a formal first reading to the Commonwealth Telegraphs Bill which given effect to an agreement for promoting and co-ordinating the efficiency and development of the external telegraph services of the Commonwealth. It also extends the system embodied in the arrangements made by the Post-Master General with Cable and Wireless Limited for the sharing of revenue derived from telegrams transmitted to and from places outside Britain.

Recovery Of Abducted Persons

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (U.P.I.): The Recovery of Abducted Persons Ordinance, 1949, had been promulgated, to provide, in pursuance of an agreement with Pakistan, for the recovery and restoration of abducted persons.

The ordinance comes into force in the province of East Punjab and the acceding states of Patiala and East Punjab States Union and the United State of Matsya and in any other province or acceding states on such dates as the Central Government, after obtaining the previous consent thereto of the Governor of the province or the ruler of the acceding state, as the case may be, may, by notification in the official gazette, appoint in this behalf.

Class Composition In Army Abolished

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (U.P.I.): With a view to eliminating communal and class differences in the Indian army so as to make it representative of all nationals in this country, the Government of India have decided to abolish class composition based on fixed percentages, according to a Press Note.

Recruitment to the army will be open to all classes and no particular class of Indian nationals will be denied the opportunity of serving in the army.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.
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ON ACCOUNT of urgent and essential imports of food grains and difficulties of movement by rail of cargoes to destinations in the hinterland served by Port Okha viz. Saurashtra, Gujarat, Rajputana, Madhya Bharat and U.P. there has been a very heavy congestion in dock areas and it has become necessary in general interest to impose restriction on imports of goods, until docks are cleared and adequate facilities of Rly. movements are established. It is, therefore, notified for the information of the Public that they should not import CEMENT at Okha from foreign countries or Pakistan, or coastwise, or by rail from Interiors.

Cement shipped from any port or booked from any Rly. Station to Okha after the issue of this notice shall not be received at Okha and shall have to be diverted by the owners at their cost and risk.

This restriction does not apply to booking from Dwarka to Okha of cement produced in Dwarka Works.

B. M. DESAI,
Secretary,
Okha Harbour Board.
Baroda 27-1-49.

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UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY
PUBLIC NOTICE

HIS EXCELLENCY the Chancellor having sanctioned the Statutes relating to the institution and conduct of the Entrance Examination passed by the Senate, the University will be holding the Entrance Examination this year at Bombay, Navsari, Baroda, Rajkot, Bhavnagar, Kolhapur and Junagadh centres.

The Examination will commence on Tuesday, the 22nd March, 1949, and the last date for submission of applications for admission to the said Examination is Tuesday, the 8th February, 1949. Applications for admission to the Examination must be submitted through Heads of recognized schools only. No direct admissions are allowed under the Statutes laid down. Recognized schools for the purposes of the Entrance Examination are schools situated in Goa and in the States of Baroda, Saurashtra, Kutch, and Kolhapur.

Parties concerned, therefore, are requested to communicate immediately with the Headmasters of the recognised schools mentioned above.

By Order,
S. R. DONGERKERY,
University Registrar.
Bombay, 31st January, 1949.

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NOTICE.

WANTED one OFFICE ASSISTANT in the grade of Rs. 180-10-200-15-305-20-325 - p. m. (plus other temporary allowances as per company's rules) for the Chief Town Administrator's Office. Candidates should be graduates of a recognised University and must possess at least 5 years office experience in a responsible position under a Municipality or a Notified Area Committee. Knowledge of Hindi essential. Application stating age should reach the Assistant Director of Personnel (Employment), The Tata Iron and Steel Co. Ltd., on or before 15th February, 1949 with three recent testimonials.

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OFFICERS RECRUITMENT IN R.I.A.F SHORT SERVICE COMMISSIONS IN GROUND DUTY (ACCOUNTS) BRANCH

(1) Qualifications :—Chartered, Registered or Incorporated Accountants or Master of Commerce.

(2) Age-limit:—21 to 25 years. Other particulars have recently been advertised in PRESS.

Qualified candidates should appear in person with all certificates in original on or before 9th Feb. 1949 before Air Force Recruiting Officer, Dhobitalao, Bombay at 09.00 hrs. at their own expenses. Matriculation Certificate will be accepted as proof of age. Govt. servants should obtain permission from competent authority.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

IN PURSUANCE of a requisition received under Section 36(d) of the Municipal Act, for calling A SPECIAL MEETING of the Corporation, to consider the manner in which premises have be requisitioned by the Land Acquisition Office, etc., a SPECIAL MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on THURSDAY, THE 10TH FEBRUARY, 1949, at 4 p.m. (BOMBAY TIME).

By Order of
His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 1st February, 1949.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.
TENDER NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited for the work of "Construction of an Orchid House at Victoria Gardens" and will be received by the Chief Accountant in his office at the Municipal Head Office-Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY 16th February, 1949, not later than 1 p.m. (B.T.).

Tender forms containing the directions to tenderers can be had at Rs. 5/- per copy from the office of the Special Engineer, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

By Order of the
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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THE CHEMICAL, INDUSTRIAL & PHARMACEUTICAL LABORATORIES, LIMITED
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Chemical, Industrial and Pharmaceutical Laboratories Limited will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 289, Bellasis Road, Byculla, Bombay at 3-30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 22nd February, 1949 to transact the following business.

1. To RECEIVE AND ADOPT the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October 1948.
2. To DECLARE a dividend.
3. To ELECT three Directors in place of Mr. K. A. Bal, Mr. A. E. Maskati and Rai Bahadur Dhanraj Wason, who retire by rotation and are eligible and offer themselves for re-election under the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company.
4. To APPOINT the Auditors for the next year and fix their remuneration.
5. To TRANSACT any other business that may be brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th February, 1949 to 26th February, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order
The Chemical, Industrial and Pharmaceutical Laboratories Limited.
K. A. HAMIED
Managing Director.

N.B.—Dividends, if sanctioned by the shareholders, will be paid only to those shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on the 12th February, 1949.
Bombay, 7th January, 1949.

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MADURA MUNICIPALITY.
TENDER NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS are invited to reach the undersigned not later than 5 p.m. on 28-2-49 for the supply of

(1) One concrete Mixer-5 c.f.t. capacity.

(2) One vibrating table for the manufacture of precast concrete products.

&

(3) One Tandum Road Roller-4 ton capacity.

Tenders must be sent for each item separately. Notice containing tender conditions and other particulars can be obtained from the Municipal Engineer, free of cost.

CAPTAIN D. GNANAOLIVU,
Commissioner.
Municipal Office,
Madura.
Dated 28-1-1949.

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G.I.P. RLY — TENDERS

THE GENERAL MANAGER, G.I.P. Railway, invites tenders for the supply of Welded Steel Fabric. Tender form obtainable from the Controller of Stores, G.I.P. Railway, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13 at Rs. 2/- per copy, not refundable. Money Order or Cash only. Closing date Tuesday the 22nd February, 1949, at 3 P.M. (S.T.)

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. ABDOOLALLY TYABJEE, of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having or claiming any right, title or interest of any whatsoever in the property are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof. Any claim not made known in writing as hereby required will be considered as waived and abandoned.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of land with the structure standing thereon, situate at Janjikar Street, without the Fort, admeasuring about 27 square yards and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Nos. 2643 and 2648, Survey No. 1/1946 and Cadastral Survey No. 1193 of Bhuleshwar Division and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under C Ward No. 542 and Street No. 72 and bounded on the North by the property of Ebrahim Abdulkarim, on the South by the public street known as Janjikar Street, on the East by the property of Gulabchand Jitmal and on the West by the property of Essoof Haji Esmail.

JAMSEDJI RUSTOMJI & DEVIDAS
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Dated this 1st day of Feb. 1949.

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT SHANKARRAO PUPALA STREET, OR BAZAR STREET, KAMATIPURA.

Under instructions from M/s. Hooseini Doctor & Co., Attorneys for the Mortgagees M/s. Jewanji Malji Tinwalla, and Cumrudin Jivanji Malji Tinwalla, and on account and risk of M/s. Thakkar Hirji Vassonji and others the Mortgagors and in exercise of the Powers of reserved to the Mortgagee under the Mortgage dated 29-12-45, M/S. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 21-2-49 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on the premises:—

Quit and ground rent land with dwelling house at Shankarrao Pupala Street or Bazar Street, admeasuring about 492 sq. yards bearing Street No. 95-95A, 97-97A, Cadastral Survey No. 748 of Byculla Division and bound on East by C. S. No. 1 and 2/748, west by Shankarrao Pupala Street, North by a private passage and South by a passage.

For particulars and conditions of sale apply to the above solicitors or to the undersigned.

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO INVESTORS IN PROPERTIES

Auction sale of very valuable properties at (1) Nana Chawk, next to Shankersett's Temple, Tardeo. (2) Elphinstone Road next to Elphinstone Mill and opp. Station Down Platform and (3) at Gorupdeo Road, known as Dhaku Parbhu Wadi.

Under instructions from M/s. Patell and Ezekiel, attorneys for M/s. Shavakshaw Hormisji Shroff, Nanabhai M. Bharucha and Behramji Bhicaji Shroff and pursuant to Consent Order in High Courts appeal No. 40 of 1946, M/s. Bennett & Co., will sell by Public Auction on Friday, 18-2-49 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on site:—

LOT NO. 1 — Leasehold land with dwelling houses at Tardeo, about 955 sq. yds. Street No. 6, 6A and 7A and bounded on West by a private passage, North by Shankersett Estates' vacant land, South by the property of the said Estate and private passage and East by Tardeo Road.

On WEDNESDAY, 23-2-49 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on site:—

LOT No. 2 — Firstly — Foras land with dwelling houses at Elphinstone Road, about 6585 sq. yds., Street Nos. 967, 966, 975, 963 A & B, 967 secondly — Foras land with dwelling houses at Elphinstone Road, about 1230 sq. yds., Street Nos. 967 A & B and bounded on East by a water passage and 1stly described property, West by Tuki Water Pipe, North by property of Kashinath Vithoba and South by a public passage.

On MONDAY, 28-2-49 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on site:

LOT No. 3 — Leasehold land with chawls and stables at Gorupdeo Road, about 2500 sq. yds., Street Nos. 24 to 28 and bounded on East by property of Vinayak Bhaskar Sakalker, West by vacant land of B. D. Petit Trust settlement, North by a public road and South by Maratha Plague Hospital.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the above Solicitors or to the undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE JEWELLERY.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers will, under instructions from Messrs. Mulla & Mulla, Attorneys for The Bengal Central Bank Ltd., Pledgees and on account and at the risk of M/s. J. Allan & Co., Pledgors, sell by Public Auction on Saturday, 5th Inst. at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at their Rooms at 72, Medows Street, Fort:—

One Necklace set with Pearls, diamonds, One Collar button of one big diamond, one diamond ring, One ring of 10 diamonds, One Pearl Collar button, one Earing set with diamonds and rubby, one pair earings set with diamonds and ruby.

Terms: 25 per cent cash deposit.

AUCTION SALE OF 1250 Lbs. Tobacco and 3200 Nos. Cloth bags on 4-2-49 at 2-30 p.m. at Colaba Station Supply Depot, near Sassoon Dock, by order of Regional Disposals Commissioner.

Terms: 25 per cent cash deposit.

AUCTION SALE OF 1/4TH SHARE IN IMMOVABLE PROPERTY AT ESMAILIA VILLAGE, NEAR JOGESHWARI.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO. will under instructions from Messrs. Raghavayya Nagindas & Co., Attorneys for Sha. Rakhabichand Chhogmal, the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of Mr. Indravadan Gulabdas the Mortgagor, and in pursuance of the Mortgage of 1-3-47 sell by Public Auction 1/4th share of the mortgagor in the under mentioned property on SATURDAY, 5th inst. at 4 p.m. (S.T.) at their Rooms, at 72, Medows Street, Fort.

All that 1/4th share in piece of land with buildings as Esmailia Village, bearing Hindu Friends' Co-operative Society, Jogeshwari, Plot No. 31 being house No. 66-67F ward of Vile Parle Andheri Burroughs Municipality and bearing Survey No. 2, Plot No. 31, part, admeasuring 1000 square yards or thereabouts.

For Particulars apply to Messrs. Raghavayya Nagindas & Co., Solicitors, or us.

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KOLHAPUR MERGER ON MARCH 1

Baroda To Be Integrated Into Bombay Province On May 1

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

It was learnt in Bombay, today, that the merger of Kolhapur with the Province of Bombay would be effective from the 1st of March and that of Baroda on the 1st of May, 1949.

The final details, it was learnt, will be worked out when the Home Minister of Bombay visits Delhi this week, when he is expected to discuss the matter with the State's Minister of the Government of India.

Discussing the political implications of the merger with reporters Mr. Jamnadas Mehta stated, that it would not gravitate against Maharashtra. If and when Saurashtra and other sections of Gujerat were merged with the Province, he said the proportion of Maharashtrians and Gujeratis in the larger Province will be 55 and 45 per cent, respectively.

At present there were 79 Maharashtrian and 22 Gujerati members in the Bombay Legislature.

Mr. Mehta wanted that the agitation for a separate United Maharashtra Province should die out, but if this did not happen, he desired that Bombay should be included in Maharashtra.

Baroda State would be merged in Bombay Province on May 1, Bombay's Home Minister Mr. Morarji Desai told the press today.

Administrative details, he added, were now being worked out in co-operation with officials of the present Government of Baroda.

Kolhapur State, the Home Minister said, would be merged on March 1. In the case of Kolhapur, Mr. Desai explained, the administartive machinery had already been taken over by the Government of India, and it was only a question of a formal transfer of authority to the Provincial Government.

With the integration of these two States, Bombay will rank third in area, and fourth in population among Indian Provinces.

Central Provinces and Berar is now the biggest province with an area of of 153,710 square miles, with Madras (124,363 square miles) second, and Bombay, (121,849 square miles) third.

In population, according to the 1941 census figures, United Provinces ranks first, with Madras and Bihar second and third respectively. The population of Bombay Province, including the merged States of Gujrat and Deccan, as also Baroda and Kolhapur works out at about twentynine million.

In revenue receipts—taking estimated budget figures for the year 1948-49—Bombay stands third, the first two being West Bengal and Madras.

JAWAHAR TO VISIT AMEDABAD ON FEB. 12

AHMEDABAD Feb. 1.—(API)—Brisk preparations are being made for a fitting reception to India's Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, during his one day visit to Ahmedabad on February 12. This will be the Prime Minister's first visit to Ahmedabad after over a decade. He will land at 10 A.M on Ahmedabad aerodrome from where he will drive through decorated streets to the building of the Gujerat Vidyapith where the Congress workers of Gujerat will meet him. He will later preside over the centenary celebration of the Gujerat Vernacular Society, now known as Gujerat Vidya Sabha, which has been doing research work in Gujerati literature. A civic adress will be presented to him on the Lal Darwaza grounds after which he will leave for Anand by special train. During his visit he will be acquainted with the famine situation in Gujerat by the Famine Relief Committee.

Union Bank Of India Ltd.

The net profit of the Union Bank of India, Limited, Bombay, for the year ending 31st. December, 1948, including the sum of Rs. 1,45,388-11-11 brought forward from the previous year, amounts, subject to audit, Rs. 9,70,378-6-2. Out of this, a sum of Rs. 40,000/- has been donated to the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Fund.

A sum of Rs. 2,00,000/- has been transferred to the Reserve Fund, Rs. 2,00,000/- for Taxation, Rs. 20,000/- for writing off Premises Account, Rs. 45,000/- for Bonus to Staff and Rs. 15,000/- for Gratuity Reserve, leaving a sum of Rs. 4,50,378-6-2 for payment of dividend at the rate of Five Annas per share (i.e. 6 1/4 %), free of tax, and for carrying forward the ultimate balance of Rs. 2,00,378-6-2 to the ensuing year's account.

Scarcity In Dharwar

The Government of Bombay has declared the existence of scarcity in 30 villages in Navalgund taluka of Dharwar district and one in Ramdurg State. Scarcity works will be started in these villages and a sum of Rs. 90,000 has been placed at the disposal of the Collector of Dharwar for payment as grant-in-aid to the District Local Board for executing these works. Besides, the Collector has been authorised to give gratuitous relief to the tune of Rs. 97,000. He has also been authorised to start the scheme of hand spinning and weaving as a measure of scarcity relief and spend on it an additional amount of Rs. 35,000.

Tagai loans will be advanced for the purchase of fodder and seed and also for the improvement and maintenance of land. A sum of Rs. 100,000 has been allotted for this purpose during the current financial year, while the Village Industries Committee, Ron, will be advanced a loan of Rs. 10,000 on certain conditions.

Grain Purchase Centres

The Government of Bombay has opened grain purchase centres at Andheri and Chembur, in order to facilitate the sales of surplus paddy by the cultivators and landlords in the Bombay Suburban District.

LEASE OF LAND TO GOVERNMENT FOR HOUSING PROJECTS CRITICISED

G. G. Mehta Urges Corporation To Use It For Building Tenements For Its Employees

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Government of Bombay had approached the Municipal Corporation for the lease of roughly 80,000 square yards of municipal land for the construction of semi-permanent structures in persuance of their housing projects, it was stated in the Municipal Improvements Committee today.

The plots are situated in the Sewri-Wadala area and as Government, it was stated, wanted them immediateyl" the Municipal Commissioner had allowed them to be occupied in anticipation of the Corporation's sanction.

The Commissioner's suggestion to lease the lands to Government was criticised by Mr. G. G. Mehta, Socialist member, who told the Improvements Committee meeting that instead of handing over the plots to Government, the Municipality should utilise them for building houses for its own employees, many of whom suffered acutely from want of accommodation.

After a short debate it was agreed to refer the matter back to the Municipal Commissioner.

ELECTRIFICATION OF CHAWLS

A programme for the improvement of Bombay's municipal and B.I.T. chawls by a scheme of electrification, improved sanitation and water supply arrangements was placed before the Improvements Committee by the Municipal Commissioner.

The report stated that it had been proposed to provide electric lights in all the municipal chawls within the course of four to five years at an estimated cost of Rs. 7 lakhs.

The Commissioner held that a sum of Rs. 10 lakhs would be needed for the provision of better water supply facilities in the chawls, like storage tanks and electric pumping arrangements. On the subject of sanitation the report stated: "Unless the people living in the chawls are taught to improve their habits by propaganda and instruction in the principles of sanitation it is difficult to expect any improvements."

Facilities for recreation and exercise for the children of the chawl residents have also been proposed.

It was pointed out that there are at present 150 blocks of ex-B.I.T. Trust and 136 to Municipal chayls.

India Society Of Engineers

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the India Society of Engineers, Calcutta, the following were elected as office-bearers for the current year, (President) —Shri N. Chowdhuri; Vice-Presidents— Rai Bahadur Gouri Shankar Ram, Shri S. K. Ray Choudhuri, Major S. R. M. Naidu, Mr. C. W Harvey, Shri R K. Banerjee and Dr. A. N. Dhar; (General Secretary)— Shri B N. Roy Choudhuri; (Joint Secretaries) — Shri I. B. Ghosh and Shri S. C. Chakravarty; (Editor)— Shri M. K. Rai Choudhuri; and Librarian— Shri K. Bose.

Thaker's Appeal To Art Lovers

Sjt. Jashwant Thaker, Editor NAVTAK has issued the following appeal to the artists of Bombay: "Gujerat is passing through a terrible crisis of famine, involving hundreds of villages and even small towns. Both non-official and official help can only save the situation.

"The country-side of Gujerat and Saurashtra has still preserved Gujerati Folk-Art and culture. If the situation deteriorates further, whatever remains will vanish. If the Gujerati peasant dies through famine, with him will perish the folk art.

It is now upto the artists to wake up and campaign to awaken the conscience of this great city. Help should be immediately sent in the form of cash, clothes, and food. If we do not act in time, the crisis will become an irreparable one. The artists of Bombay should realise the seriousness of this situation and act".

Sir S. Radha Krishnan

Sir S. Radha Krishnan, Member of the Executive Board and leader of the Indian Delegation to the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation, leaves New Delhi by Pan American World Airways on February 2nd for London. A prominent figure in Indian public affairs, particularly in the Field of Education, and author of innumerable books and publications on religion and philosophy, he leaves to attend the third session of the U.N.E.S.C.O. General Conference. He is expected to return to New Delhi on February 13th, flying again by Pan American Airways.

Bombay Sindhi Association

A meeting of the General body of the Bombay Sindhi Association was held on last Sunday in the Association premises, where, after prayers in Mahatmaji's memory, the following resolution was unanimously passed:—

"The Bombay Sindhi Association pays its homage to the memory of the Father of the Nation on its first anniversary day and hopes and prays that his teachings will guide the nation for ameliorating the conditions of the poor and the distressed including the refugees and expresses its determination, to follow his noble teachings".

The meeting also passed a resolution showing dissatisfaction on the Evacuees Property agreement and requested the Government of India that all the property left by Muslims in any part of India should be made available to Hindus and Sikhs who have left the property in West Pakistan. Another resolution protesting against the cow slaughter was also carried unanimously.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DISPOSALS

AUCTION PROGRAMME FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1949

Sl No.	Date	Time	Place	Description of stores	Auctioneer
1.	4-2-49	10-30 A.M	Courtyard of West House, Napean Sea Road, Bombay.	Command Car, 16 cyl.	Bennett & Co.
2.	7-2-49	—do—	D. G. A. Ghatkopar.	Washers, Hardware Stores etc.	Gandhi & Co.
3.	8-2-49	—do—	R. I. N. Depot. Mankhurd.	Tubing Canvas caps, canvas etc.	Gandhi & Co.
4.	9-2-49	—do—	R. I. N. Depot, Vikhroli.	Caps blue rings joint superfine etc	Gandhi & Co.
5.	9-2-49	—do—	R. I. N. Reserve Petroleum Depot, Bhusawal.	Containers (Salvage)	Craven & Sons.
6.	10-2-49	—do—	D. G. I. & S., Sewri.	Quartsite caps, Tin sheet (rusty) corrugated paper, etc.	Gandhi & Co.
7.	14-2-49	—do—	D. O. D. Dehu.	Boots angle, Black African Foundation plates, etc.	Gurdit Singh Beant Singh
8.	15-2-49	—do—	Military Farm, Kalyan.	Incubators 46 Nos.	Gandhi & Co.
9.	16-2-49	—do—	S. S. D. Ahmednagar.	Gunny Bags, etc.	Gurdit Singh Beant Singh
10.	18-2-49	—do—	H. M. I. Dockyard, Bombay.	M. S. Strips for Cables, Motor Cutter I.B., etc.	Crawford & Co.
11.	23/24-2-49 (23-2-49 Salvage and 24-2-49 surplus).	—do—	R.S.S.D. Ghorpuri, (Salvage).	Misc. Salvage Stores, Trousers White, Suit Paddlers, Spurs Jack, Trousers Woollen, etc.	Craven & Sons.

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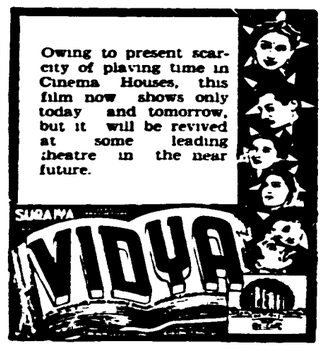

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Hightide: 02-23, 14-35.
Lowtide: 08-42, 20-15.

Today's Engagements

MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: The Secretary, Schools Committee, writes: There being a meeting of Corporation, today (Wednesday), meeting of Schools Committee called to meet today is cancelled. It will be held on Wednesday next.

B. B & C. I. RAILWAY FETE: Grand Fete at Railway Offices, Churchgate, at 3 p.m., today (Wednesday).

COMMERCE GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION: M. A. Master, Ex-President of Association will address a public meeting on "Our Shipping Target, its problem and Difficulties" at Green's Hotel, today (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m., Mr. C. H. Bhabha, Ex-Commerce Minister, will preside.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Talk on: "Personality and Individuality" today (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m., at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

TAGORE SOCIETY: Opening of Exhibition of Paintings and Works of Art be Ranee Chanda of Santiniketan today (Wednesday), at 6 p.m., at Institute of Foreign Languages Hall, Outram Road, Fort by Sri Gaganvihari Mehta.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: Today (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m. at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute Library Hall, Apollo Street, Dasturji Framroze Bode, will speak on: "Origin, Promulgation and History of Zarathushtrian Religion."

Information Ministers To Meet In Delhi On Feb. 7

To discuss problems of common interest and co-ordination, an Inter-Provincial Conference of Ministers for Information has been called by Shri R. R. Diwakar, Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting.

The Prime Minister will address the Conference which will meet in New Delhi on Feb. 7.

Principal Information Officer

Mr. B. L. Sharma, Officiating Deputy Secretary in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, has been appointed Principal Information Officer, Press Information Bureau, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

Radio

BOMBAY, Wednesday, Feb. 2.
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
8-30 a.m. Sardar Gul Raja 7-45 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Pannalal Ghosh 8-45 G. M. Durrani 9-0 Durga Kulkarni
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
12-0 p.m. Rang Tarang 12-30 Mukesh 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Kaker 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch-Hour music 1-55 Benjamino Gigli 2-15 City of Birmingham Orchestra.
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4-20 Thakurprasad P. Upadhyay 4-35 Sardar Gul Raja 4-50 Clarionet Par Halki Dhun 5-0 Durga Kulkarni 5-15 Baby Tara 5-30 Thakurprasad P. Upadhyay 5-45 Baby Tara 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 G. M. Durrani 6-30 Purushottam Solankurkar 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 Sardar Gul Raja 7-45 Sapan Geeten 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Pannalal Ghosh 8-45 "Bhagwan Parshuram" 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News Relay 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Current Events 10-0 Purushottam Solankurkar 10-30 Pannalal Ghosh.
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7-45 p.m. Commercial News 8-0 Thakurprasad P. Upadhyaya 8-15 G. M. Durrani 8-0 Purushottam Solankurkar 9-30 Durga Kulkarni 10-0 Melody Trio 10-30 Tino Rossi with Orchestra 10-50 Rose and his Tziganes.
BARODA, Feb. 2.
250 m. (1,200 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Saag Sangeet 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Sudha Desai 8-0 p.m. News (E) 6-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 6-15 For Rural Listeners 6-35 P. T. Dindorkar 6-45 Indira Pendse 7-0 Nasri Jagat 7-30 P. T. Dindorkar 7-45 Indira Pendse 8-0 Sudha Desai 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Vadya Zankar 8-45 Talk (M) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Noorjahan 9-30 Indira Pendse (Vocal music) 9-45 P. T. Dindorkar.

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"ANTI-EXCOMMUNICATION BILL"

Welcomed By Dawoodi Bohras Of Malegaon

A meeting of the Dawoodi Bohra Muslims of Malegaon was held on Tuesday (25th January) to consider the "Anti-Excommuncation Bill' circulated for Public opinion by the Government of Bombay. Janab Shaikkhul Fazil Saiyadi Ismail Bhai-Saheb Saiyadi Shaikh Lukmanji Sahib was the Chairman Resolutions were unanimously passed.

Expressing the meetings protest against the "alleged conference of the Bombay Presidency Dawoodi Bohras convened by the Literary and welfare Society of Bombay on 15th and 16th of January 1949", which was not "legally convened and the persons participating therein were not duly elected representatives of the Jamats' and in particular the two delegates from Malegaon were not elected by the Malegaon Dawoodi Bohra Jamat: they did not represent the Malegaon Jamat, because no meting was convened by the Dawoodi Bohra Jamat of Malegaon for the said purpose".

The second resolution passed stated that the Dawoodi Bohra Jamat of Malegaon welcomes the "Anti-Excommunication Bill" brought in by the Government of Bombay, and "congratulates Honourable Shri. B. G. Kher and Honourable Shri. Morarji Desai for the same; and requests the Government to adopt speedy measures to enact the Bill".

The third resolution was passed to the effect that the meeting "approved and gave support to the resolutions passed by the Dawoodi Bohras of Godhra and of other places supporting the Bill of the Government."

By the fourth resolution the meeting declared that the system of excommunicating people has been initiated by the High Priest of Dawoodi Bohras "during the last 15-20 years to secure his own personal gain and aggrandisement.

Two other resolutions were also passed.

KALYAN GRIEVANCE

"Stop Slaughtering Of Animals In Public"

(From Our Correspondent.)

KALYAN, Feb. 1.

There is a certain locality in Kalyan where public slaughtering of cows, buffaloes and bulls is taking place. Hundreds of petitions and protests were made to the Government and the local Municipality for the last 25 years and several Government Officers have passed orders that such things are prohibited and even the Director of Public Health has been satisfied with the genuineness of the case and advised the Kalyan Borough Municipality to stop the nuisance forthwith in the beginning of this year. The Collector of Thana has also written to the Municipality about the matter. However, nothing has been done and slaughtering is being continued as usual in the open space. The complainants were tired but the premised relief never came. The Municipality's cry is that there are not enough funds to construct a slaughter-house.

The petition say, that they have done whatever they could to fight constitutionally. Now they want to take up the last resource of offering a Satyagraha at the place of slaughtering if their grievances are not redressed by the 15th February 1949. The only remedy they say, to get relief is the one which was taught by Mahatma Gandhi.

General Motors Dispute For Adjudication

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The industrial dispute between the General Motors India Limited, Bombay, and its workers has been referred for adjudication to the Industrial Tribunal of Mr. D. G. Kamerkar.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, February 1 (API): Following is the daily weather summary for Tuesday the 1st February 1949:—

A western disturbance is moving east north eastwards through the West Punjab and the adjoining parts of the East Punjab.

Weather has been dry over the country except for a few showers in West Bengal, Berar, North Hyderabad and along the North Madras coast.

Night temperatures were appreciably above normal in Saurashtra and Cutch, Rajputana, the North Deccan and the West Central Provinces.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL THE EVENING OF 2ND:— A few showers are likely along the North Madras coast, in East Hyderabad, the adjoining parts of the East Central Provinces, in North Rajputana and the East Punjab.

Night temperatures will rise in the East Punjab and continue above normal over the region from Rajputana and Cutch to the south Central Provinces and the North Konkan.

WEATHER CHART

POONA Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours with total rainfall from Dec. 1, 1948, and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 (I. S. T.), on Feb. 1 1949:—

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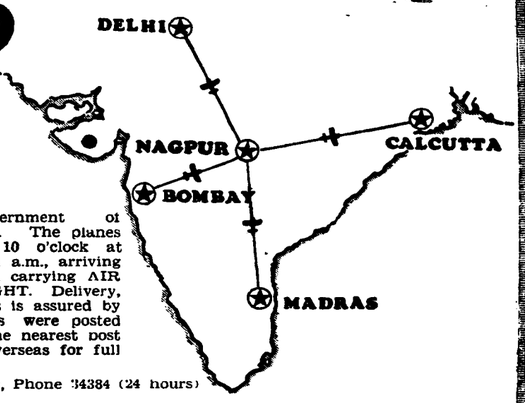

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STALIN'S OFFER, A HOPEFUL SIGN

Wallace Says, 'This Is The Time For Peace Talks'

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Mr Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary General, said in Lake Success last night he would be happy to offer President Truman and Generalissimo Stalin a meeting place there if they asked him for facilities to confer.

Earlier a White House spokesman said that President Truman had "no comment" to make on Marshal Stalin's peace offer, but was still willing to see the Russian leader any time he came to Washington.

Mr. Charles Ross, the President's Press Secretary, told reporters the Soviet Government had sent no official message suggesting such a move.

Asked whether Mr. Truman's attitude towards a possible meeting had changed, Mr. Ross said the last official word he had received on the subject was Mr. Truman's own statement to a recent Press conference.

The President then said he was willing to see Stalin at any time in Washington.

WORLD REACTION

World reaction to Stalin's statement included:

FRANCE: A foreign office spokesman said his government attached "a certain importance" to it. It was not known what action the Government would take.

BELGIUM: Sources close to the Government commented that Russian signs of moderation and conciliation had not been confirmed by Russian acts.

GERMANY: West zone political leaders decided the declaration contained nothing to delay preparations for a West state.

Leading East zone officials welcomed it as a new hope for peace.

SYDNEY: The 'Sydney Morning Herald' said it might be possible to find a meeting place mutually acceptable to the two leaders but it was not their function to draft a world peace pact. In Lake Success, high officials of the United Nations declined to comment.

Moscow radio tonight broadcast a roundup of world reaction to the statement.

In NEW YORK, Henry Wallace, United States Progressive Party leader, said last night it was "a hopeful sign, that Stalin should for the third time in tw years offer to negotiate outstanding difficulties with the United States."

Mr. Wallace, in a press statement issued by the New York headquarters of the Progressive Party, recalled that Stalin, "in his reply to my open letter last May reiterated his belief that the United States and Soviet Russia could co-exist in peace and accepted as a basis of negotiations the programme which I offered, calling for compromise by both sides.

"Now Premier Stalin has opened the door again.

"As never before this is the time for peace talks rather than military alliances."

CEYLON TURF CLUB ROBBED

COLOMBO, Jan. 31. (A.P.I.).: Ceylon Turf Club employees were alleged to have been relieved of a sum of nearly four lakhs of rupees at the point of revolver by an armed gang this morning. It is reported here.

The gang is stated to have escaped with a cash in a hired car. It is alleged that a person masquerading as a police officer accompanied by some persons in constables uniform met Turf Club officials at the Club premises saying that they were ready to escort the persons taking money to the bank. Believing this he employees were said to have entered the car with cash—the weekend's race takings. On the supposed journey to a bank, the Turf Club employees were ordered out of the car at the point of revolver. The gang then drove off with the cash.

De Valera Accuses Britain

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 31 (Reuter):—Mr. Eamon De Valera, former Prime Minister of Eire, today accused the British of destroying democracy in his country.

Addressing 200 members of the Birmingham Rotary Club, he accused Britain of dividing the country and maintaining the division by armed force and appealed to the people of Britain to end the situation and not to be guided by prejudice.

"You cannot speak about democracy when you are destroying democracy, he said.

Vyshinsky Not Ill At All

MOSCOW, Jan. 31 Reuter): It was denied here tonight that M. Andrei Vyshinsky, Russian Deputy Foreign Minister, now in Karlovy Vary (Carlsbad), Czechoslovakia, was seriously ill.

M. Vyshinsky was "in perfect health" and was holidaying, it was stated.

The Russian Commander of the Imperial Hotel in West Bohemia said on Saturday that M. Vyshinsky was in ill-health and would be staying there three more weeks.

LONDON RELAXES CLOTH RATION ORDER

LONDON, Jan. 31 (Reuter): Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, announced in the House of Commons today that practically all suits, jackets, trousers, overcoats, costumes and woven wool dresses are to be taken off the ration from tomorrow.

Knitted wool and knitted garments will stay on the ration. The number of coupons each person will have in the next rationing period wil be reduced from 24 to 17.

CZECH GENERAL'S EXECUTION STAYED

PRAGUE, Jan. 31 (Reuter): Execution of General Heliodore Pika sentenced to death last Friday for treason and abuse of his authority has been deferred pending his appeal it was announced here to-day.

General Pika formerly Chief of the Czechoslovak Military Mission in Russia was charged with establishing contact in 1940 with the British intelligence which was alleged to have paid him for spying against Russia.

King's Counsel To Hold Brief For Indian Seamen

LONDON, Jan. 31 (Reuter): Sir Walter Monckton, King's Counsel, has been asked to appear for 34 Indian and six Pakistani seamen who are appealing against sentences of one month's imprisonment imposed on them for disobeying the orders of the Chief Officer of the ship "City of Exeter" when she was about to leave London for Durban, South Africa. It was not yet known tonight whether Sir Walter would take the case.

After the men were sentenced, the High Commissioner for India, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon put up bail while the appeal was pending and said the India Government would assist them in every way.

Gore Advises Boycott Of Legislature

BOMBAY, Feb. 1 (UPI): A suggestion that the Maharashtrian members of the Bombay Legislature should boycott the forthcoming budget session of the Legislature as a mark of protest against the attitude adopted by the Government towards the formation of the Province of Samyukta Maharashtra has been make by Mr. N. G. Gore, a prominent Socialist leader of Maharashtra and a Joint Secretary of the Socialist Party of India, in a statement to-day.

Mr. Gore says: "The recent speeches of Mr. K. M. Munshi observations made by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at Baroda make one anxious about the future of Maharashtra. What does the proposal of merging Baroda and Saurashtra with the Bombay Province mean? This has given rise to the fear that it is proposed to make the population of the Marathi and Gujrati speaking people of the Bombay Province equal and shelve the question of forming a separate province of Samyukta Maharashtra for good."

He continues: "It is necessary to bring pressure of public opinion to bear on the Government on this matter. The Government is driving all those opposed to it to the extreme by its present attitude. I cannot support the proposal that Maharashtrian members of the legislatures should resign their seats on this issue, nor do I favour the launching a no-tax campaign for the purpose. But if any Party did sponsor such a movement, the policy of the Government alone will be responsible."

In conclusion, Mr. Gore adds: "The Government must make its policy clear. None will tolerate the shelving the question of Samyukta Maharashtra, while the provinces of Andhra and Karnatak are being formed on linguistic basis."

30 HOUSING DEPT. CLERKS DISCHARGED

BOMBAY, Tuesday

As a sequel to the suspension of the activities of the office of the Controller of Accommodation, 30 clerks were discharged from service, it was learnt, to-day.

Besides these 30 persons whose services have been terminated from the 1st of this month, 135 other members of the staff who were transferred to the Controller's Office from the Civil Supplies Department have been shunted back to their old jobs.

Those who were employed to officiate for them during the absence of these 130 clerks have to quit on the reversion of the former.

"DOMINION OF CANADA"

OTTAWA, Jan. 31 (Reuter): A Bill to substitute the word "Canada" for "Dominion of Canda" in all official documents was introduced in the Canadian Parliament today.

Sponsor of the Bill, Mr. Bona Arsenault, member for Bonaventure, said the term dominion was obsolete now that Canada was a Sovereign State.

OPPOSITION WITHIN CONGRESS PARTY

Foreign Capital For India

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 31.

The rise of opposition within the Congress party may be the development of dominion parliament, the budget session of which commences here tomorrow morning. Two instances could be cited as pointers. The Constituent's Assembly's last constitution making session was not after all a tame affair. Many a storm raged behind the scenes over several issues. The group inside the Congress Party several times defied the party understanding and moved amendments in the House which the Party had decided to skip over.

Secondly, a very large number of questions had already been tabled. More are pouring in. These questions indicate a critical attitude towards the administration. Non-official resolutions disclose similar trends. Inflation with particular reference to food prices is likely to attract some attention during the session. As the budget session is in the nature of a yearly stocktaking of the country's administration, governments policy vis-a-vis the economy drive is another topic likely to attract attention.

The Prime Minister's London visit with reference to the Commonwealth link is similiarly expected to come up for debate. The Industry Minister may further elucidate Government's industrial policy. In this connection the Prime Minister is expected to make a statement during the session on the question of employment of foreign capital. This statement is expected to be of the nature of pedsuading foreign capital to come out and develop this country. The main hurdle so far been the sense of insecurity felt by the foreign investor. The Prime Minister, according to lobbies, will explain Government's policy, thereby removing such insecurity. He may, for instance, guarantee integrity of foreign capital and assure the foreign investor that he will be granted exchange of his own country for transfer of his profits capital whenever he demanded them.

First Pakistan Labour Conference

KARACHI, (UPA): The first Pakistan Labour Conference is scheduled to meet in Karachi on February 8, 1949. It is expected to remain in session for two or three days.

The Conference will review the five years' programme of labour legislation adopted before partition and the three labour bills outstanding from the Indian Legislative Assembly in the light of conditions prevailing in Pakistan.

It also will discuss the conventions and recommendations adopted at the International Labour Conference held in June-July, 1948, and certain resolutions adopted by the preparatory Asian Conference held in October-November, 1947.

Acquitted Of Brutal Murder

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

MASERU, Basutoland, Jan. 31 (Reuter): Basutoland sub-chief Gabriel Thibeli and three followers were acquitted today by a charge of ritual murder, of a herd boy more than 3 years ago.

Justice W. Pittman told the Maseru Court a reasonable supposition existed that other persons committed the crime.

Evidence was given that the boy was taken to the hut of one of the accused, flesh was cut from his eyes, ears and mouth and his blood collected in a bottle. Next day the body was thrown into a river.

PRISONER ESCAPES FROM CUSTODY

Annama Eranna, who was arrested by the police at the Race Course last Saturday on suspicion, escaped while being taken to the police station.

Annama is still at large.

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Suspected to have broke open a godown at Jetha Street and removed 90 tins of paint valued at Rs. 3,000 Anthony J. DeSouza was arrested by the police yesterday. He was placed before Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Police Court today and allowed bail.

SMUTS' NO CONFIDENCE MOTION DEFEATED

Malan To Proceed With Segregation Policy

CAPETOWN, Feb. 1 (Reuter): Gen. Jan Smuts no confidence motion challenging the racial and economic policy of the South African Nationalist Government was defeated in the National Assembly last night

By 74 votes to 64 the Assembly adopted an amendment by the Premier, Dr. Daniel F. Malan, proposing the setting up of a commission of both Houses to consider the detailed application of the Government's policy of separation of Europeans and Africans.

This said: "The House expresses its confidence in the Government and expects they shall proceed further to carry into effect their policy of separation in accordance with the mandate from the people at the last Parliamentary general election.

General Smuts urged the House to seek an agreed solution to the colour problem and said he felt the whole question would have to be referred to a commission abiding by the provisions of the South Africa Act (the Act, which the Government proposes to alter, requires a two-thirds majority of both Houses on matters affecting African political rights including the non-European franchise).

Dr. E. G. Jansen, Minister for Native Affairs, told the Assembly, amid uproar, that speeches by reasonable South Africans were used abroad to "whip up passions" against the Union.

The logical consequences of opposition policy was that non-Europeans with their numerical majority would eventually rule the country.

"White South Africa cannot afford to take the risk", he said.

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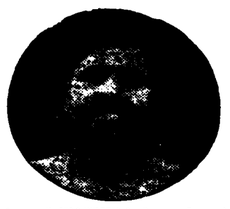

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DE MELLO'S APPEAL TO BOMBAY CROWD

Cricket-Loving Public Asked To Refrain From Making Indecent Noises During Test

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

On the eve of the Fifth and Final Test Match between India and the West Indies at Brabourne Stadium, Bombay, from February 4 to 8 Mr. A. S. De Mello, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India has issued an appeal to the cricket loving public of Bombay "to refrain from making all indecent noises during this Test Match".

Mr. De Mello said that both the Teams had complained very bitterly of the firing of crackers, blowing of bugles and also of bellowing when the bowler was about to bowl. "All these noises have disturbed both the bowler and the batsmen and it will be appreciated that Test Cricket, which requires the very best from the players, cannot and should not be disturbed in this manner.'

"The East Stand and a section of the North Stand were responsible for getting the sportloving public of Bombay a bad name during the Second Test Match. Bombay has been world-famous for its crowds who understand the finer points of cricket and it is better that he appreciation be shown in the correct manner and not in the manner that could be referred to as "hooliganism".

Mr. De Mello was confident that Bombay public would co-operate and get the good name for Bombay, which it always had and rightly deserved.

TEST BROADCAST TIMINGS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

All India Radio, Bombay, will broadcast a running commentary on the Fifth Cricket Test Match between West Indies and India to be played at the Brabourne Stadium from the 4th to 8th Feburary 1949 (both days inclusive). The commentators will be Berry Sarbadhikary, The Maharajkumar of Vizianagaram and L. G. Clarke.

The timings and wavelengths will be as follows:—

TIME:

10-40 A.M. to 12-45 P.M.
1-45 P.M. to 3-30 P.M.
4-00 P.M. to 5-05 P.M.

WAVELENGTHS

244, 31.41 and 41.44 metres.

Joe Louis KOs Oliver In Exhibition Bout

ORLANDO, Florida, Feb. 1 (Reuter): World Heavyweight Champion, Joe Louis knocked out Dixie Lee Oliver, a Negro from Saint Patersburg, Florida, last night in their fourth round of their Exhibition Bout here.

This was the first time during his current tour that Louis had knocked out an Exhibition opponent.

Oliver was out for more than ten minutes and carried from the ring on a stretcher, was taken to hospital for examination.

The blow that finished the fight was a left hook to the chin ninety seconds after the Fourth Round opened.

With no padding under the canvas Oliver's head struck the floor when he fell.

Louis said he did not hit Oliver hard but added that it appeared to be the worst he had hurt an opponent since 1934 when he knocked out Al Skyya.

LUCAS TO CAPTAIN ENGLISH GOLF TEAM

LONDON, Jan. 31 (Reuter). P. B. Lucas, Britain's outstanding left-handed golfer, has accepted an invitation t Captain the 1949 British Walker Cup team to meet the United States at Winged Foot Club, New York, next August.

He said today: "I believe we can get a team together which will give a account of itself, but I won't be so stupid as to predict our victory over the Americans"

One Change Made In Eire Soccer Team

DUBLIN, Jan. 30 (Reuter): After their defeat by France on Saturday it was expected that Ireland Rugby Union team would be reconstructed for the game against England in Dublin on February 12, but the selectors met today and made only one change.

T. Cullen, the Crum half has been omitted and his place will be filled later. The team is as follows:—

G. Norton (Bective Rangers), S. Chanlen (Dolphin), J. Gavin (London Irish), W. McCke (North of Ireland), M. Lane (University College, York), J. Kyle (Queen's University), Scrum-half position vacant, A. A CoConnel (Collegians), K. Mullen (Old Belvedere), T Clifford (Young Munster), C. Callan (Lansddowne), J Nelson (Malone), J. McKay (Queen's University), D O'Obriend (London Irish), J. McCarthy (Dolphin).

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY
Association Ground
4-00 p.m. Bombay A. A. vs. Customs A. C.
5-15 p.m. Goa XI vs. Combined Colleges.

BOMBAY HOCKEY LEAGUE

Final Positions Of Teams

BOMBAY, Tuesday:

The following are the final positions of the teams in the B.P.H.A. League which concluded yesterday.

SENIOR DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	A.	P
St. Xavier's "A"	9	8	1	—	16	4	17
Tata S.C. "A"	9	5	3	1	13	5	13
Lusitanians "A"	9	5	-	4	9	5	10
Kirkee United	9	3	4	2	12	9	10
Times of India "A"	9	4	2	3	15	11	10
Dockyard "A"	9	3	2	4	12	13	8
Bombay Port Trust	9	1	5	3	4	8	7
Young Sports 'A'	9	2	2	5	4	12	6
G.I.P. Rly 'A'	9	1	3	5	8	16	5
B.B. & C.I Rly 'A'	9	2	-	7	9	15	4

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	A.	P
Goan S.C. 'A'	10	7	3	-	32	2	17
St. Xavier's 'B'	10	7	-	3	17	6	17
G.I.P. Rly 'B'	10	5	3	2	13	7	13
Ganeshkind S.C.	10	4	3	3	11	7	11
BEST S.C.	10	2	6	2	8	7	10
Catholic Gym.	10	4	2	4	16	9	10
Young Comrades 'A'	10	4	2	4	10	14	10
B.B. & C.I. Rly "B"	10	4	2	4	21	20	10
Bombay City S.C.	10	3	1	6	13	29	7
Customs A.C.	10	2	2	6	6	31	6
Lusitanians 'B'	10	-	2	8	7	22	2

The last three teams are relegated to the Second Division.

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	A.	P
"SECTION A"							
Bhimraj S.C.	8	6	3	-	17	6	13
Firestone S.C.	8	4	2	2	12	7	10
Boys Own Club	8	4	2	2	9	8	10
Dockyard 'B'	8	3	3	2	8	4	9
Dreamland S.C.	8	1	5	2	4	6	7
Bombay Gym.	8	1	5	2	8	9	7
St. Zavier's Asso.	8	2	3	3	8	13	7
Juvenile S.C.	8	1	4	3	6	11	6
Bombay Parsis Sports	8	-	3	5	3	11	3
SECTION "B"							
Bombay Area Army	8	7	1	-	24	5	15
Mazagaon Dock S.C.	8	5	1	2	9	4	11
Kathau S.C.	8	4	3	1	10	6	11
St. Xavier's "C"	8	3	3	2	12	10	9
Brothers H.C.	8	3	1	4	6	8	7
Panchgani Parsis	8	3	2	3	11	5	8
Telegraph R.C.	8	1	3	4	4	15	5
V.J.T. Institute	8	2	1	5	8	19	5
Gen. Motors S.C	8	-	1	7	3	15	1
SECTION 'C'	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P
Royal Indian Navy	8	6	1	1	20	6	13
Black Spiders	8	5	2	1	11	2	12
Willingdon Catholic Gymkhana	8	4	2	2	12	6	10
Times of India 'B'	8	3	2	3	4	4	8
Young Sports "B"	8	3	2	3	8	8	8
Lever S.C. 'A'	8	2	2	4	6	9	6
R.I.A.F	8	1	4	3	4	11	6
Overseas Communications	8	3	2	3	9	12	8
Reserve Bank S.C.	8	-	1	7	2	18	1

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

Bombay Area Army	2	1	1	-	5	3	3
Bhimraj S.C.	2	1	-	1	4	5	2
Royal Indian Navy	2	-	1	1	2	3	1

The three teams leading in each section are promoted to the first division. The last team in each section is relegated to the third division.

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	A.	P
SECTION "A"							
Goan S.C. 'B'	8	7	1	-	21	1	15
Western Rangers	8	5	2	1	13	2	12
B.S.N. Sports Club	8	6	-	2	13	3	12
St. Xavier's 'D'	8	4	2	2	6	10	10
Siddarth College	8	2	3	3	8	15	7
Ruia College	8	1	4	3	3	7	6
Young Comrades "B"	8	2	2	4	4	9	6
Kurla Spartans	8	1	2	5	7	19	4
Tata S.C. 'B'	8	-	-	8	-	9	0
SECTION "B"							
Young Rovers	8	6	2	-	17	1	14
Blue Wizards	8	5	2	1	21	4	12
Bombay Port Trust "B"	8	3	4	1	17	3	10
G.I.P. Rly 'C'	8	4	1	3	13	4	9
Byculla Stars	8	4	1	3	5	7	9
Telephone Club	8	3	3	2	5	8	9
Cathedral O.B.	8	2	2	4	10	14	6
Lever S. 162 10				1		8	
E.C. & R.I.S	8	-	-	8	-	24	0

The first team in each section is promoted to division II

Asiatic Weight-Lifting Competition

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of Baghbazar Gymnasium it was decided to hold the 25th Annual Asiatic Weight Lifting Competition this year also at Calcutta. The following International lifts will be performed.

1. Two hands Military Press with Barbell.
2. Two hands Snatch with Barbell.
3. Two hands Clean and Jerk with Barbell

Intending competitors are requested to communicate with Sri Durgadas Mitra Secretary, Competition Standing Committee, 77 Raja Rajbullav Street, Calcutta, enclosing -/1/6 plus postage stamp for reply.

RAIN DEPRIVES MCC OF VICTORY

Match Against Rhodesia Ends In Draw

BULAWAYO, Feb. 1 (Pti-Reuter) A heavy rainstorm robbed the M.C.C. Touring Team of victory in their match here today against Rhodesia.

The game ended in a draw. With about an hour and a half left for play the M.C.C. required only 31 runs to win, but then came the storm which had been threatening nearly all day and had previously caused two main stoppages. The storm of tropical intensity flooded the ground in a matter of minutes and at once it was decided that no further play would be possible.

Resuming at 120 for five this morning, after a heavy shower before play started, Rhodesia were all out by lunch for 166, Jack Young taking 4 for 29 and Denis Compton four for fifty-one. This left the Touring Team the remainder of the day to score 148 for victory. They had reached 112 for the loss of Washbrook (24) and Simpson (26) by tea, but 7 minutes after the interval the rains came. The score had then reached 177 for two, Palmer being not out 32 and Compton not out 25.

SCORE-BOARD

RHODESIA (1ST INNINGS) 174
M.M.C. (1ST INNINGS) 193
RHODESIA (2ND INNINGS)

Singleton lbw b Young	 12
Harris b Young	10
Martin lbw b Compton	32
Franklin c Griffith b Young	3
Curran b Compton	36
Pretorious b Gladwin	26
McDonald b Jenkins	11
Tayfield lbw b Compton	 11
Newson b Young	 13
Carew not out	 14
Mansell c Griffith b Compton	 2
Extras	 6
TOTAL	 166

WICKET FALLS: 1,18; 2.29; 3;35; 4,81; 5;120; 6.129; 7'142; 8.147; 9,160.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Gladwin 15;5;29,1.
Tremlett 4 1'12 0
Young 27;13 29 4.
Jenkins 16'7;34.1.
Compton 13.5 3;51;4.
Walking 2;0 5;0
EXTRAS: Byes 4, Legbyes 2.

M.C.C. (2ND INNINGS)

Washbrook lbw b Tayfield	.. 24
Simpson lbw b Tayfield	 26
Palmer not out	 32
Compton not out	25
Extras	 10
TOTAL (for 2 wickets)	.. .117

FALL OF WICKETS 1'51; 2,68.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Newson 9;2'36 0
Martin 4;0;18 0
Tayfield 10.6 033'2
Singleton 6,2'21;0
Byes 4, Legbyes 6.

HOCKEY AT LUCKNOW

LUCKNOW, Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): In the All-India Ramlal Cup Hockey Tournament Army Pods, Gwalior defeated Allahabad Wanderers "A." by three goals to one in their replayed third round match today.

Pro-Nazi German Bobsled Team Refused Visa For U.S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31 (Reuter)—The five-man German Bobsled Team entered for the World Bobsled Championship in New York next month were refused visas for the United States because their backgrounds made them "ineligible for admission" the Washington State Department said today. The Department declared that Team Captain Hans Killian, had a long history of active participation in Nazi party affairs and that his admission was not considered to be in the best national interests.

THEY DOMINATED C. C. I. TENNIS

The Cricket Club of India Open Tennis Championships that concluded on Monday resulted in personal triumphs for Narendra Nath (left) and Mrs. Khanum Singh (right). The Indian Davis Cup player won the Men's Singles and Men's Doubles in partnership with the National Hard Court Champion Vasant. Mrs. Singh won the Triple Crown. She was partnered in Women's Doubles by Mrs. Mody, and the Mixed she won in partnership with Afsar Hussain by the toss of the coin that deprived Narendra Nath of his Triple Crown.

XAVIERS HELD BY KHALSA TO A GOALLESS DRAW

Inter-College Hockey Final

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Finals of the Inter-College Hockey Tournament was held this evening on the Association ground. Before the game the teams, Khalsa and St. Xaviers were introduced to Mr. J. C. Maitra. The match ended in a goalless draw. The replay is fixed for Sunday, 6th at 4 p.m.

The first half was without any score although the Xavierites had numerous scoring opportunities but they either failed to score in the circle or Lobo in Khalsa's goal brought off a good save.

The second half was quite the same St. Xavier's dominating play throughout and coming nearly within scoring range. Twice Fialho pushed the ball into goalie Lobo and once Williams shot over the bar when he had the goal at his mercy then the ball once hit the post when a certain goal looked imminent. Khalsa forced corners at the other end but failed. St. Xavier's forced many short corners but without result. Extra time had to be played and despite many scoring chances coming their way a decision could not be reached.

Provincial Hockey Championship Commences

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship tournament commenced on the Association ground this evening and G.I.P. Rly. "B" and R. I. A. F. shared four goals although extra time was gone through. Towards the closing stages of the second half Referee Felix Fernandes had to warn H. Fernandes the Railway's centre forward and Ram of the Airmen's side and sent them off the field for ungentlemanly behaviour.

The R. I. A. F. went ahead in the first half when Shetty scored, thereafter the Railwaymen, who were having the better of the exchanges equalized through Dixon, then Prem put the R. I. A. F. men ahead till the breather. On resumption the Railwaymen scored the equalizer through Dixon and although the Railway had numerous scoring opportunities they failed to get ahead. Extra time was played but without result.

GOAN SPORTS WIN FIRST DIVISION HOCKEY

Goan Sports Team won the First Division of the Bombay Hockey League, which concluded this week. The picture shows Mr. Hormusji N. Merchant, President of the Kirkee United presenting the trophy to Farias, the skipper of the victorious side.

FESTIVAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Teams For Today's Game Announced

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Festival Hockey Tournament for the Bhiwandiwalla Cup commences at the Association ground, tomorrow evening, Wednesday the 2nd at 5-20 p.m. A Goa XI will meet the combined Colleges XI.

The following are the players representing the two teams:—

GOA XI: Leo Pinto (Captain), (Tata's), Diago Fernandes (Tata's Walter D'Souza (Lusis.), George Pereira (Tata's), Tony Vaz (Times), Maxie Vaz (Lusis.), Louis Vas (Lusis), J. D'Mello (Tata's), Jimmy D'Souza (Tata's), F. Correa (Times), C. Gomes (Goan S. C.) and F. Gama (Lusis.).

COMBINED COLLEGES:—O. Frank (S. X.), Alva (Khalsa), G. D'Souza (S.X.), V. Baretto (G.M.C.), Motiwalla (G.M.C.), T. LeFebour (Capt.) (S.X.), R. Mathias (S.X.), G. Urbanis (S.X.), N. D'Mello (Sydenham), N. M. Mehta (V.J.T.I.), M. D'Sa (S.X.), Panday (Ruia), C. Rodriques (G.S.M), A. Fialho (S.X.).

Olympic Games Track Designer Retires

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The man who was chiefly responsible for the constructional alterations and the putting down of the Running Track for the Olympic Games last summer, has retired. He is A. F. Parsons, fiftyfive-year-old Resident Engineer at the Empire Stadium and Empire Pool, Wembley, who plans to leave for Southern Rhodesia in the next few weeks and to settle there.

Parsons went to Wembley when the Stadium was first opened for Greyhound Racing in December 1927, and another of his achievements was the designing and construction of the Cycle Track at the Empire Pool before the war.

He became resident Engineer in 1935 having been on constructional railway work, a pioneer in aeroplane engines and a test pilot with the Royal Flying Corps of the first World War.

Parsons will be succeeded by George Stanton, aged thirtyfive who has been with Parsons for the past twelve years. Before the war Stanton was a diver of international repute and was fourth in the English Diving Championship at Wembley Empire Pool in 1936.

N. S. WALES WIN IN SHEFFIELD SHIELD

Victory Assures Them Of Championship

SYDNEY, Feb. 1 (Reuter): New South Wales defeated Victoria in their Sheffield Shield match which ended here today by eighty-eight runs.

New South Wales carried their overnight score of 191 for eight, in their second innings, to 221 and then dismissed Victoria for 197 when Victoria needed 286 runs in their second innings for victory.

Final scores were New South Wales 229 and 221 Victoria 165 and 197.

This victory makes New South Wales certain of winning the Shield.

Their remaining wickets this morning fell without undue trouble, Bill Johnstone having figures of five for 62 and Ian Johnson three for 51 for the complete innings.

Victoria were left with 270 minutes to score 286 and they still had a chance at tea when with six wickets in hand they needed 136 in 105 minutes. Walker, a young fast bowler, however, wrecked their hopes by taking three for 13 in three overs with the new ball. Earlier he had taken two quick wickets for four runs and had final figures of five for 58.

Walker played in Britain with Australian Rugby Team two years ago. Neil Harvey showed his best form of the season with 75 and Ken Meuleman played a sound if slow 58 for Victoria.

Derby Day Handicaps

The following are the handicaps for Bombay Races, Second-Day, to be held on Saturday, February 5:—

THE INDIAN DERBY. (Terms-Indian Colts and Fillies, 4 years old only.) About 1-1/2 Miles.

Khundil 9-0, Take On 9-0 Baaz Bahadur 9-0, Balam 9-0, Aan Baan 9-0, Rang Rao 9-0, Nasrullah 9-0, Aman 9-0, Crescent 9-0, Hindustan Zindabad 9-0, Prince of Ramgarh 9-0, King Sheridan 9-0, Golden Square 9-0, Masked Player 9-0, Prospero 9-0, Spring Chicken 9-0, Rana Pratap 9-0, Flying Arrow 9-0, Untamed Prince late Taganrog 9-0, Cockpit Pride 9-0, Battling Admiral 9-0, Liberty Belle 8-11, Shubh Luxmi 8-11, Fitna 8-11.

THE ECLIPSE STAKES OF INDIA. (Terms-Imported Horses C I and II and all Indian Horses 4 years old and over). 1-1/4 Miles.

Redbay 9-10, Shahi Bag 9-3, Sireon 9-3, Royal Jester 9-3, Priorate 9-3, Pravina 9-0, Deepak Mahal 9-0, Laxmi Vilas 9-0, Jeanne d'Arc 8-10.

THE MATHRADAS GOCULDAS CUP. (Horses, C I and II). 7 Furlongs.

Deepak Mahal 10-10, Laxmi Vilas 9-7, Coup d'Etat 9-1, Shan-E-Hind 9-1, Jaiwant 8-13, Gipsy Gem 8-3, Zam Zam 8-0, Paper King 8-0, Crystal 7-13, Sister Vincent 7-7, Kirti 7-4, Rim Jhim 7-4, Mubarak 7-2, Parting Summer 7-2, Quicksand 7-0, Ma'maselle 7-0 Fair Haven 7-0, Mayya Devi 7-0, Royal Crusader 7-0, Sunbathing 7-0, Repartee 7-0, Raj Doot 7-0.

Two Top Weights not accepting weights to be raised 3 lbs.

THE JASDAN CUP. (Indian Horses C III). 6 Furlongs.

Adeline 9-4, Near Image 9-4, Maratha Mandir 9-2, Big Blaze 8-12, Churchill 8-12, Futurity 8-11, Baaz Bahadur 8-11, Khundil 8-10, New Moon 8-10, Tomcat 8-9, Dominica 8-6, Find Out 8-6, Sweet Maryla 8-6, Bhopal Star 8-5, Dev Doot 8-4, Independence 8-4, Aan Baan 8-3 Pride d'Antibes 8-0, Morton Daisy 7-12, Duke of Ramgarh 7-12, Paramount Power 7-11, Georgie 7-11, Laila 7-8.

THE J. ROBINSON PLATE. (Indian Horses, C IV) 1 Mile 1 Furlong. Division I.

Rana Pratap 9-4, Game Bid 9-4, Nirvana 9-2, Grace 9-2, Filmindia 9-1, Crescent 9-1, Mandil 8-13, Pan Supari 8-12, Saita 8-11, Damyanti 8-11, Rashtrapati 8-10, Coeur d'Or 8-9, Blue Mist 8-9, Caltex 8-9, Moulin Rouge 8-8, Sweetie Shah 8-8, Happy Returns 8-6, Panditji 8-6, Blue Lotus 8-4, Patakha 7-13, Ayaaz 7-9.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE J. ROBINSON PLATE. (Indian Horses, C IV), 1 Mile, 1 Furlong. Division II.

Ghizala 9-2, Courage 9-2, Super Charge 8-11, Magnolia 8-11, Gold Ribbon 8-9, Vie On 8-0, Hooded Terror 8-9, Atomic 8-8, Lady Cleopatra 8-7, Taalaroon 8-6, Just Wait 8-6, D. Day 8-5, Gay Sire 8-5, Show On 8-4, Fashion Parade 8-0, Put All 7-12, Patent Bid 7-12, Banshee 7-12, Persepolis 7-12, Princess of Hindustan 7-10.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE BULSAR PLATE. (Indian Horses, C V, Winners). 1-1/4 Miles. Division I.

Valiant Prince 9-2, Indiana 9-1, March On 9-0, Nasrullah 9-0, Palmy Days 9-0, Chhatrapati 8-12, Sir Galahad 8-11, Crown of Kolhapur 8-10, Golden Square 8-9, Untamed Prince 8-8, Pearl Mahal 8-6, Court Dancer 8-5, Esmail Pasha 8-4, Ginger Lady 8-0, Puri Pakodi 7-13, Brilliant Sunshine 7-12.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE BULSAR PLATE. (Indian Horses, C V, Winners.) 1-1/4 Miles. Division II.

Manipulator 9-4, Wet Bob 9-2, Queen's Cup 9-2, Army and Navy 9-0, Amin 8-13, Pure Emerald 8-13, Princess Pakistan 8-11, Toistar 8-11, Broken Mask 8-11, Home Spun 8-10, Luminary 8-10, Galatea 8-9, Brioche 8-8, Lady in Waiting 8-2, Bright Maid 8-0, Miss Rutty 7-6, Yipee 7-4.

To be ridden on even terms by Apprentice Jockeys who have not ridden 10 or more winners.

THE MYSORE PLATE. (Terms-Indian Fillies, 3 years old only, C V. Maidens). 5 Furlongs. Division I.

Rasili 8-12, Tabassum 8-12, Tamanna 8-12, Lizalee 8-12, Whirlpool 8-12, Lily 8-12, Sparkling Star 8-12, Princessa 8-12, Aafrin 8-12, The Girl Friend 8-12, Zar 8-12, Odds Again 8-12, Miss Shaheen 8-12, Gwen 8-12, Dinkie 8-12, Chrissie Darling 8-12, Flying Miss 8-12, New Look 8-12, Anant Lakshmi 8-12, Maha Maya 8-12, Lady Doctor 8-12, Great Lady 8-12, Grace Darling 8-12, Janeman 8-12.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE MYSORE PLATE. (Terms-Indian Fillies, 3 years old only, C V. Maidens). 5 Furlongs. Division II.

Cool and Collected 8-12, True Love 8-12, Topflight 8-12, Georgette 8-12 Raj Luxmi 8-12, Striding Edge 8-12, Kantaka 8-12, Andromeda 8-12, Mah Khurshid 8-12, Desert Law 8-12, Santenella 8-12, Armina 8-12, Atl's Pride 8-12, Magic Hour 8-12, Desert Queen 8-12, Mimma 8-12, Honey Bunch 8-12 Night Queen 8-12, Mumtas Mahal II 8-12, Cherry Blossom 8-12, Belle Amie 8-12, Why Again 8-12, Whirlwind 8-12.

Italians Dominate Rich Motor Race

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 30 (Reuter): Alberto Ascari (Italy) driving a 1,500 cc Maserate, won the "Grande Premio City of Buenos Aires—President Peron" Motor Race here today, covering the 35 laps course in one hour 30 minutes, 23.9 seconds at an average speed of 113.016 kilometres per hour.

Luigi Villoresi (Italy), in a similar Maserati, was second in one hour 31 minutes, 4.1 seconds and Oscar Galvez (Argentine) third in one hour 32 minutes 55 seconds.

LOZANO FLYING TO DELHI

Final Solution Of Kashmir Problem Found

LONDON, Feb. 1. (Reuter): Doctor Alfredo Lozano, Colombian member of the United Nations Kashmir Commission, was flying to New Delhi early to-day convinced that a final solution has been found for the only obstacle to peace now remaining between India and Pakistan.

When Reuter asked him in London last night if he considered the five-Nation Commission—United States, France, Argentina, Czechoslovakia, and Colombia—had found the means for crowning a truce with an historical settlement, Dr. Lozano answered: "I hope so and I think so."

Dr. Lozano arrived from the United States on Sunday. Within a few hours he flew to Paris, and was back in London in time for dinner last night.

"The Kashmir Commission is going ahead with the same purpose and in the same spirit as before, hoping that India and Pakistan will show in the last phase of coming to an agreement the same cordial feeling that they have displayed from the beginning," he said.

In Delhi the Commission would consult the Indian and Pakistan Governments regarding final talks on the plebiscite in which 4,000,000 people of Jammu and Kashmir—predominantly Muslim—would decide for themselves whether they are going to join India or Pakistan, he said.

Dr. Lozano would not reveal who is to supervise the plebiscite. It has been stated that the nominee will have to be "personality of high international standing and commanding general confidence."

United Nations procedure on the appointment of an administrator is that after nomination by Mr. Trygve Lie, the Secretary-General, and approval by the Commission, he shall be formally appointed by the Kashmir State Government.

SAURASHTRA TO BE MERGED WITH BOMBAY

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 1.

After Baroda and Kolhapur States merger with Bombay Province the announcement of Saurashtra merger with Bombay province is also likely to be announced within a couple of days. The Saurashtra Government waited for Baroda's announcement of merger with Bombay Province.

Palestine Mediator On His Secret "Plan"

RHODES, Feb. 1. (PTI-Reuter): Dr Ralph Bunche, Acting Palestine Mediator, said here today he had "fully discussed" his new secret peace plan with Israeli delegates but did not know yet the Egyptian attitude to them.

The Israeli delegation gave Dr. Bunche a series of amendments to the plan but did not exclude it as "a basis for negotiation", Israeli sources said.

The plan handed yesterday to Israeli and Egyptian delegates, was said to contain a compromise proposal on armistice lines in the Negev desert of South Palestine. It is expected to determine the success or failure of the 19-day old Rhodes negotiations.

Military Governorship Of Jerusalem To Go

TEL AVIV Feb. 1. (PTI-Reuter): The Israeli Government has decided to terminate the military governorship of Jerusalem, it was officially announced here tonight.

The effect of this move is to change the status of Jerusalem from "Israeli-occupied territory" to part of the State of Israel.

It was announced last night that the newly-elected Israeli Constituent Assembly would hold its first meeting in Jerusalem next month.

LONDON, Feb. 1, (Reuter): Forty Indian and Pakistani seamen who were recently sentenced to four weeks' imprisonment in a London police court for conspiring to disobey a lawful command to go aboard the steamship "City of Exeter" on which they were employed were given leave by a higher court today to appeal against their conviction.

Motor Rally Placings Re-Shuffled Twice

MONTE CARLO, Jan. 30 (Reuter): Competitors in the Monte Carlo Motor Rally gathered at the Palace of the Ruling Princes here today for the prize giving and heard a list of placings read out which differed from that announced yesterday in the competition.

Later, this second list was itself upset when a third announcement was made, again changing some of the placings.

Since the competitors arrived here after a gruelling 1,900 Miles European journey, the Officials have been receiving complaints from drivers that their penalties had been calculated incorrectly at control points.

Through all the changes the name of M. J. Trevoux (France) stood at the head of the list as winner of the Premier Award for the third time—the only man who has taken this Trophy three times. With his co-driver M. Lesurgu, he drove a 3485 cc Hotchkiss from Lisbon.

He was awarded 792.60 points under the latest list.

Second place under the new announcement went to M. Worms and E. Monche (France) also driving a Hotchkiss. He had originally been placed tenth.

Third were F. Dobrey and Z. Trevbal, (Bristol car) who had been placed second in the original list.

Worms was given 788/80 and Dobrey 784/40 points.

The Bombay Chronicle

There is no more miserable human being than one in whom nothing is habitual but indecision.
—WILLLIAM JAMES

THE INTEGRATION OF THE STATES

The decision of the rulers of Baroda and Kolhapur to merge these two States into the Province of Bombay marks an important further step in the integration of the States which the States Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel had announced as the Government's policy in December 1947. The White Paper on Indian States issued in July 1948, revealed that the 500 odd States left on the lapse of British Paramountcy, had been administratively reduced by union, merger and integration to some thirty-three units. It was also made clear that the process had not been ended. Now another six months have passed and we see already the political structure of the Union emerging as a federation of some less than twenty units. Baroda, seventh Indian State in population and tenth in area, and Kolhapur among the first fifteen are not small states. They have moreover had a fair record of administration, specially with its long stretch under Sayaji Rao's progressive reign and with its succession of public-spirited Dewans. If these two States can bring themselves to merge into Bombay Province, there is no reason why the other, smaller, States cannot imitate their example. It is significant that a communique from the States Ministry issued on the same day as the two Rulers' declarations asks for a peaceful atmosphere to enable the future of Bhopal to be settled "by discussion and negotiation with the Nawab". In other cases, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel had to explain that the dissensions existing among popular representatives had forced him to confer and consult with the Ruler. Here the resignation of the Bhopal Ministry has paved the way to direct dealings between the States Ministry and the Nawab. The example of other discussions and negotiations with States rulers will, no doubt, have a salutary effect on the Nawab of Bhopal. With its small population of 785,322, Bhopal owes its place in the list of viable States to the close affinity that has always existed between its rulers and British Indian national leaders. Now that Freedom has been achieved and the relations between the States and India are being readjusted, it is but proper that the present Nawab should, if not lead, at least be among the first Princes to give the lead. And the example of Baroda and Kolhapur will naturally be a powerful influence in making up his mind.

The Baroda and Kolhapur decision has another aspect. Merging into Bombay Province means no doubt a certain consolidation since both these States were in the Province even when they were not of it. Administratively there is the advantage that no appreciable islands are left in the Province. So far as raising the administrative level goes too, there need be no great trouble since both Baroda and Kolhapur have drawn freely from Bombay services for their officers. In area and population Bombay Province was added to when the 17 Maratha and 157 Gujerat States were merged with it in March and June 1948, bringing in an area of 27,000 square miles and a population of 44,00,000. Now Baroda's merger brings in over 8,000 square miles and 29,00,000 population; whilst with Kolhapur, comes 3,000 square miles and 11,00,000. Bombay Province, as on August 1947, was about 77,000 square miles and 2,00,00,000 souls. In other words, the expansion of the Province in territory is about 50 per cent and in population about 40 per cent. As one of the most politically developed units of the Indian Union, Bombay can doubtless rise to the occasion. But there is a great deal of readjustment needed which must take time. There are development plans, the fifteen-year ambitious project of the Kolhapur State for example, which will need serious consideration; and there are matters of the judiciary and administration which need attention; and there are questions relating to revenue collection and taxation. All this must be worked out in detail. The integration of States like Baroda guarantees that the administrative standards prevailing in the provinces will be extended to the States areas. It is, therefore, essential that nothing should be done which hinders the achievement of uniformity throughout the Union, and, if the work is unhindered, we shall have the nine provinces, the six States Unions and the four States—Hyderabad, Kashmir, Travancore, Cochin and Mysore,—as the different units of country, all administratively and constitutionally equal, at no distant date. It will then be both timely and necessary to consider provincial distribution in order to arrive at convenient areas that are not unwieldy—the other difficulty of areas that are too small having been entirely eliminated. Obviously areas of the size of Madras, Bombay and Rajasthan cannot be regarded as administratively convenient but nothing can be gained by premature efforts to force a decision. It would be well, therefore, if attention is solely concentrated on the completion of one process before starting on another which in many ways is the direct opposite of this one.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who has returned to the task of adjusting the States into the political structure of the Indian Union with redoubled vigour, has fully justified his appeal for being given time. The rapidity with which change is being effected, also renders insignificant another once-important problem—what place will the States' rulers fill in the New India? It is the one thing on the States front which has hung like a cloud over Indian politics. It is the future of the rulers, particularly rulers like the Kashmir Maharaja and the Hyderabad Nizam who have shown themselves so out of touch with their people. These must without any doubt go. The only question is how and when. So far as the Kashmir Maharaja is concerned, he cannot be dislodged whilst the U.N. Commission is functioning and to-day he serves to hold the two areas together—the part under Sheikh Abdullah and that vacated by the Pakistan forces. But a declaration from him that he will abdicate at the earliest possible moment would be welcome and helpful in the plebiscite. Even the Nizam might well find it better to go voluntarily than to be asked later to quit by his own people. To-day the question regarding the future of the rulers seems rather irrelevant since the moves on the political chess-board are reducing them slowly but surely to mere figureheads. To some extent, this is due to the fact that the present occupants of most of the gaddis are poor representatives of the Princely Order, who command neither the affections of their subjects nor the esteem of others outside the States. It has often been said that the majority of the rulers were maintained in power and position with the aid of British arms, often without appreciating its full meaning. The withdrawal of the British threatened a condition of near-chaos in the States out of which the strong policy and broad vision of the Union Government has rescued them. In the fervid negotiations of the Cabinet Mission and after the Indian States' Ruler was the "forgotten man" who was not only flattered by his being neglected but even tempted to assume that if anything, his intervention in Indian politics was needed rather than any scrutiny of his administration within his own State. Pandit Jawaharlal at his speech in London during the recent Commonwealth Premiers' Conference remarked that in the matter of the States the transferring Power had failed to take a long enough view and to work towards the lapse of Paramountcy well in advance of the event. The fact that this did not prove as disastrous as it well might have done, is in no small measure due to the resolution and precision with which the States Ministry acted. As a result, we have today only loose ends where we might have well had anarchy and an added threat to the peace and security of the Indian South.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

At the very moment when the Government is denouncing the Dutch and showing what a stout friend it is to the Indonesians it is incurring the odium of expelling an Indonesian woman and children who sought sanctuary here during the war.

"The contrast between the Commonwealth's championship of the Indonesian cause and its treatment of this family cannot go unmarked in Asia."

"We won't fool Asia".

—Australian Press comments on Australia's decision to deport the Indonesian wife of an Australian and her eight children.

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We are pleased to learn that the Baroda and Kolahapur States have decided to merge with Bombay.

On behalf of Bombay we congratulate both the states.

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Interesting developments are expected according to a Karachi report, as a result of the Sind Muslim League Working Committee having passed a motion of no confidence in the present Sind Ministry.

If the present Sind Ministry responds by expressing no confidence in the Sind Muslim League Working Committee in the usual Ministerial way, the developments certainly promise to be interesting.

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Addressing the Cultural Association of East Pakistan in Dacca, Governor-General Nazimuddin asserted that culture should recognise no frontiers but deplored that the conception of culture in the present age had assumed a narrow meaning.

As for instance, the two-nation theory?

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Protesting in the South African Assembly against General Smut's recent speeches, Dr. Jansen, the Minister for Native Affairs said that they were being "transmitted overseas to be used there to whip up still further passions which have already been aroused against South Africa."

Then Smuts is only trying to compete with the achievements of Malan and his Jansens. Hasn't he the right?

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A White House spokesman stated today that President Truman was willing to see Marshal Stalin provided the meeting was held in Washington—Reuter.

There you are. Didn't we tell you THAT THE MEETING WOULD NOT TAKE PLACE?

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Mr. Ewer, the Diplomatic correspondent of British Labour's "Daily Herald", refuses to enthuse over M. Stalin's offer says the Kremlin is speaking with two voices, but urges that "there is no real conflict between M. Stalin and M. Molotov. Both have the same purpose: to prevent the unification of Western Europe and the conclusion of an Atlantic Pact."

In that case how about accepting the offer in order effetively to expose both Stalin and Molotov and their purpose?

PREMIER COSTELLO ON IRISH PARTITION

By Hugh De Blacam

DUNDALK (Eire) (By Mail).

Although Ulster still adheres to Britain, the new republic of Ireland claims all the country as national territory, independent of Britain, Premier John A. Costello told me during the course of a special interview.

"The title of the state is Ireland in the English language", he added, "not Eire.....just as France still had the title of France when Alsace-Lorraine was withheld from French sovereignty."

Mr. Costello said the struggle for eight centuries since invasion has reached of final triumph except for continuing partition. The next state of national progress is the friendly return of the six counties (of Ulster) by England. The Premier emphasises that the people in the six counties are regarded as Irishmen with equal rights and privileges in building up Irish prosperity in close friendship with Britain.

NO REVENGEFUL SPIRIT

He said: "Make it clear to all that our action is not intended to disrupt the Commonwealth. No hostile or revengeful spirit is felt. I am convinced relations with Britain on the basis of complete mutual independence can be more cordial than ever before."

"Would the six county representatives share in the government of all Ireland if partition ended by consent?"

"Certainly," replied Mr. Costello. "Under the inter-party system, any northern party would be welcome to a place in the administration....we can never forget that Protestant Ulstermen served the Irish cause in the past, both by initiating a modern movement for the republic and democratic liberty and in many services to Irish culture.

"St. Patrick first landed in County Down to make Ireland a great Christian nation.....his grave, the most sacred place in Irtland, lies in the separated region. It would be absurd for the children of St. Patrick to remain long divided from the rest of the country to which he gave so high a place in Christendom.

"Men of good will in Britain must realize that it is to the interest of Britain and the Commonwealth to win unreserved Irish friendship."

This correspondent asked: "How will re-establishment of the Irish republic affect relations with America?"

NATURAL LINK

"Geography marks Ireland out as a natural link between the old world and the new," Mr. Costello said "Common blood tradition and ideals of life make the American and Irish republics and Britain and the Commonwealth a natural brotherhood."

The Premier then was asked whether the Irish Republic expects to establish similar relations with America on one hand and Britain on the other.

"That is a very fair expression of our international outlook,' he said. 'The spiritual influence of the Irish race extends to America, our great helper in past times, no less than to new lands of the Commonwealth."

"Does that mean that the Irish republic would assist in measures of Atlantic defense?" I asked.

"We have said many times that a divided Ireland can enter into no commitments", he said. "Ireland is a natural unit for defense as well as for everything else. While our territory is divided we cannot plan or act effectively to do our share in the proper defense of the west.

POPE'S POINTS FOR PEACE

"Our sympathies as a Christian nation are well known. We want our people who are scattered through the world to disseminate the principles of the Pope's five points for peace of 1939. By so doing the Irish race can help in the reconstruction of a world at peace. That is the gospel that I preached in Canada and the States—peace our aim, and peace our work in the world.

"Yet there is neither freedom nor democracy in partition. Those who speak of freedom and democracy ought to prove their sincerity by bringing the rule of justice into operation in our little island. When that is done and all parts of our nation can work together like the organs of one body then and not until then Irishmen will be able to play their proper part in world affairs."

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Integration Of Rajputana States And Unions

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (UPI): The "United Press of India" learns that all the ruling princes and the Rajpramukhs of Rajputana States have now signed a document agreeing to integrate their states and unions into Greater Rajasthan. The covenant, which will be the final document for this new set-up is being drafted by the States Ministry of the Government of India.

Furthermore, it is understood that the Maharana of Udaipur has been tentatively chosen as the Maharajpramukh and the Maharaja of Jaipur as the Rajpramukh, of Greater Rajasthan. In selecting the Maharana of Udaipur as Maharajpramukh it is learnt, two points have mainly been taken into consideration; firstly, that he is the senior-most of all the ruling princes and secondly that during the formation of the Rajasthan Union a promise was reported to have been given to him that he would remain a Rajpramukh for his life-time.

It is gathered that the Covenant, which is being drafted by the States Ministry, will include all terms and conditions for such integration, the position of individual princes and their privy purses. The covenant will also clearly lay down the responsibility that will be shared by the Maharajpramukh, Rajpramukh and the Ministry as regards the administration, constitutional and legislative powers, and the army.

DEWANS CALLED TO DELHI

The Dewans of Jodhpur, Jaipur and Bikaner who were summoned by the States Ministry are now having conferences with the officials of the States Ministry with a view to exploring the possibilities of evolving a uniform administrative procedure for the whole of Rajputana and to find out ways and means to combat the problems which will accrue from the integration of states having different administrative systems.

The States Ministry, it is learnt, is also having discussions with the jagirdars who have demanded representation in the Ministry, that will be formed for whole of Rajputana.

The two other vital questions—the choice of the capital and procedure for selecting the personnel of the new Ministry—are also engaging the attention of the States Ministry.

ROUND-UP OF HYDERABAD 'REDS'

Public Support To Police In Effecting Arrests

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): Intensive combined operations are now being carried out by the military and police to round up bands of Communists operating in Warangal District of the State. These efforts, the authorities emphasise, will continue "until the district is cleared of the last Communist" and security of life and property is ensured.

Recently top-ranking Communist leaders who were active in the Neelakondapalli area, were killed in an encounter with the police.

Authoritative siurces say that as a consequence of these developments the morale of the Communists is breaking down and their "camp followers" have begun to surrender to the police. At the same time the successful operations of the police and military have infused greater confidence and sense of security in the minds of the people, who, according to these sources, are shedding their fear gradually and coming forward in increasing numbers not only to give information about the Communists, but also to apprehend and hand them over to the police.

City Returns To Normal

HYDERABAD (Deccan), Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): Hyderabad City was back to normal again this morning after two days of disturbances in certain parts of the city.

Except for a solitary incident in the Chadarghat grave yard, outside the disturbed localities, in which one person was stabbed fatally by an unknown assailent at about 6/30 last evening, last night passed off peacefully. Almost all shops in the affected areas, namely Gowaligunda, Begum Bazar and Afzal Ganj, opened this morning and people are moving about streets as usual. Business houses and educational institutions are functioning normally.

3,000 Tata's Workers On Strike

CALCUTTA, Feb. 1. (A.P.I.):. About three thousand men belonging to the mechanical and electrical sections of Tata's workshops at Jamshedpur stopped work this morning, and as the strikers included some of the keymen, the Management have been compelled to close down a portion of the plant, according to official information received here.

The Management, who are now watching the situation, are issuing a notice to the men on strike that the Steel Works being a public utility concern, this strike—started without notice—is illegal, and unless the strikers return to work immediately, those sections of the workshops as have been affected by the strike, may be closed down.

The Labour Minister of the Government of Bihar, and the Deputy Commissioner of the Singhbhum District, are watching the situation on the spot.

"NOBLE ENDS BY WORTHY MEANS"

Syud Hossain On Mahatma's Message To Posterity

CAIRO, (By Air Mail)

Broadcasting over the Egyptian State Broadcasting Service in Cairo, on January 30, the first anniversary of the death of Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. Syud Hossain said:

"It was precisely the Mahatma's characterists of unbending moral courage which perhaps cost him his life. George Bernard Shaw made a cryptic comment on Mahatma Gandhi's tragic death in the following words: "It proves how dangerous it is to be too good". Mr. Shaw's remark was characteristically Shavian but as usual there is a kernel of truth in what he said. Mahatma Gandhi was "too good" in exactly the same sense in which Jesus and Socrates and Imam Husain were "too good" and had therefore to be crowned with martyrdom. In each instance their passion for "goodness" as they conceived it — and Plato's definition would serve for them all — found expression in an uncompromising determination to utter the truth and to refuse to be cowed by mob coercion or authoritarian pressure.

It is such supreme vindication of the potential power and ineffable integrity of the human spirit that has made the world go round.

SAINT AND STATESMAN

The teaching of these ideas was not new. What was novel and wholly unprecedented was Mahatma Gandhi's application of these eternal principles to a domain in which they had never before been tried, — national and international politics. Here he was a pioneer and an innovator of supreme uniqueness. Every great religious system has produced its quota of Saints and every historical nation has had its Statesmen. But it was left to Mahatma Gandhi for the first time to combine in his great and fruitful life the dual roles of the Saint and the Statesmen. History does not furnish another example of anything like an exact parallel of such a combination. Indeed, until we come to Mahatma Gandhi the two roles of the Saint and the Statesman have been almost universally held to be mutually exclusive and irreconcilable. It was his genius which infused moral purpose into politics and religious idealism into statecraft.

India has been the beneficiary of his inspired leadership Mahatma Gandhi had always insisted that noble ends must and could only be served or secured by worthy means. He would not, he said, have even independence of India except by means and methods that were scrupulously clean and honourable. That was how the technique of Gandhi's non-violent revolution worked out. That is how India won her freedom.

It is interesting to speculate how far the Gandhian panaces of non-violence will succeed in a world entrenched in atomic violence; and how far the Gandhian technique of love and tolerance will be effective at a time when hatred and fanaticism seem to be the order of the day. It may be that miracles can still happen, and if so, the coming decades of the 20th century will witness the consummation of the Gandhian miracle—the triumph of Love over Hate, and of Peace over War.

Allahabad Radio Station Opened

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 1 (API)—Allahabad station of the All-India Radio was opened at 5-30 P.M. today.

Allahabad is the eighth broadcasting station opened within the last one year in India.

Messages wishing success to the new broadcasting station at its inauguration today were recorded by Mr. R. R. Diwakar, Minister of State for broadcasting and Information, Government of India, Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Governor of the United Provinces and Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Premier, United Provinces.

INDORE, Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): The Madhyabharat Government have sanctioned a sum of Rs. twelve thousand for "Adivasi" welfare work. Mr. B. K. Yardey, Director of Harijan Uplift is shortly proceeding on a tour of Adivasi areas to organise the welfare work

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Gandhiji And Muslims

Muslims both in India and Pakistan acknowledge Mahatma Gandhi as their friend and benefactor. He worked and died for communal harmony and equality of all irrespective of caste, creed, majority and minority. How best can Muslims, especially in the Indian Union, honour the memory of that benefactor? The answer was recently given by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad in a speech at Calcutta. A secular democratic State was Gandhiji's dream, which India's leaders are trying to realise. Muslims can and must help in its realisation not only as an obligation to Mahatma Gandhi's memory but also for their own material and political advantage. For, in a secular State they will be citizens of India enjoying every single right that is enjoyed by others as Indians. They will be nothing more, but they will be nothing less either.

Maulana Azad's Call

And Maulana Azad has told them how they can help India's leaders as also themselves. They must, as Maulana Azad advised them, give unqualified allegiance to the Indian Union and its Government. This involves not vows of allegiance and of loyalty. It involves rather becoming politically and nationally Indians first and Indians only. It implies the surrender of all concepts of political minority which certain interested "leaders" would insist on. Such concepts may imply some limited "concessions" and superficial gains but for that reason they are actually harmful; they deprive the "minority" of much more than they give and they reduce the "minority" to a status of segregated pariah. Muslims must shun political separatism and become Indian patriots and citizens.

Certified

The news that AIR's "Brains Trust" at Bombay is going to be an all-ministers one for the first time brings to mind a brains trust incident. On one occasion, a gentleman who had been asked to perform—or is it serve?—had thought out a joke and was hesitating to use it. "Why not?" said his companions, "you must crack it. Let's have a laugh". "Well", said the diffident one, "it is all right for distinguished men like you but no one knew—not even I—that I had a brain till the AIR certified it. And—well, can't you see, I have to live up to it."

Reuters

The long-awaited report of Indian newspapers acquiring an interest in Reuters will be received with satisfaction. There have been attempts to start world agencies and during the war the despatch by several newspapers of war correspondents served to widen Indian interest in the outside world. Latterly, there has been a growing sense of dissatisfaction with the manner in which Indian activities and speeches at the Security Council and elsewhere have been reported back to India, and participation in Reuters will be a natural corollary to the Government's interest in foreign affairs and the policy of sending representatives abroad. It is the press better than any other agency or organ which will be best able to ensure that Indian interests are well served and the partnership with an established agency of the standing of Reuters will be sufficient guarantee of its smooth working.

Lost Files

Severe strictures were made by Mr. Justice Banerjee of the Calcutta High Court on the railway administration when the Indian Dominion applied for extension of time in a suit brought by a railway employee. Mr. Justice Banerjee said that it was not the first case. He had disposed of some 100 similar applications. The ground for more time was that after partition and the division of assets and records, the files had become mixed up and mislaid and much time was taken up in tracing them. His Lordship remarked that now, eighteen months after the partition, the excuse was not convincing and that it involved the Dominion in costs, not only its own but also of the other side, since the party asking for the indulgence must pay costs. He concluded, "I regret to say that it does not reflect to the credit of the Railway Administration or to the efficiency of those persons who are in charge of the files and records. It seems to me that there is a lack of supervision and control somewhere of a grave character. It is necessary that the proper authority should wake up and take proper steps in the matter so that the public has not to bear this unnecessary waste of money". His Lordship granted three days' time for the Dominion to file its written statement; in default the suit was to appear in the undefended list. It is the intention of the Government to effect as soon as possible a return to normal conditions. This has been repeatedly stressed in all references to the settlement of refugees. In the circumstances, the delays of the railway administration are inexplicable and, now that attention has been called to it publicly, we hope every action will be taken to restore order out of the prevailing chaos.

Hyderabad Leader's Wrong Lead

In this connection we cannot but deplore the reported move of certain prominent Muslims of Hyderabad, headed by Dr. Syed Abdul Lateef, to form a separate and exclusive organisation of Muslims with the object of awakening them to the new situation. If the Muslims of Hyderabad are to be taught their place and if their interests are to be protected the only way of doing so is to ask them to merge themselves in Indian citizenship as so many Hyderabadi Indians equal politically in every respect to other Hyderabadi Indians. A separate political identity does lend distinctiveness but that very identity and its distinctiveness must inevitably lead to discrimination against them too. It is not the work of a friend or a well-wisher of Hyderabad Muslims to persuade them into a separate political identity distinct from the rest of Indians. It may be that what Dr. Lateef and his friends are anxious and concerned about is to save Muslims from the consequences of the past, of the criminal follies of so-called "leaders", who persuaded themselves that harmful hallucinations were beneficial realities. But the Hyderabad Muslims cannot be well served by inviting them to change from one distinctiveness to another. They should be asked to choose their political affiliations as Indians. And if they are to be helped in the process of real political and national awakening, Dr. Lateef and his friends should work through the national organisation which was founded for that express purpose by Maulana Azad and other Nationalist leaders of India, the Anjumani Ittehad-o-Taraqqi. We think that the mass of the Muslims of Hyderabad, demoralised and despondent, for no fault of their own, need a message of hope and a healthy lead. Maulana Azad's Committee of Union and Progress and its policy and programme constitute the instrument for supplying that need.

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The Coral Trees, (Erythrena Indica,) have nearly all lost their trifoliate leaves, and stands stark and grey, with their branches and trunks protected by the sharp conical prickles which give them their rugged appearance. At the tip of every twig there are thick clusters of tiny buds which give promise of the beauty to come. In fact, in sheltered places the first flowers have already opened, but only in small numbers, and it is only when the tree is fully-clothed with its sprays of bright red pointed flowers that it attains its full beauty, and then, for a few weeks it is a breath-taking sight. A rarer form of Erythrena is that which bears white flowers; and this tree may be seen at the Victoria Gardens, and near the J. J. Hospital, but though it is very pretty, I still prefer the more flamboyant beauty of the red-flowered tree.

D. R.

"TAXES MUST BE PAID BEFORE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY"

Move To Safeguard Loss Of Revenue From Persons Fleeing To Pakistan

FINANCE MINISTER'S BILL REFERRED TO SELECT COMMITTEE

House Considers Neogy's Motion To Implement Multi-Lateral Trade Pact

NEW DELHI, FEB. 1 (A.P.I.): ASSEMBLING FOR THE ANNUAL BUDGET SESSION, THE DOMINION PARLIAMENT TODAY REFERRED TO SELECT COMMITTEES THE BILL TO REGULATE THE PROFESSION OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS AND THE BILL TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF TAXES BEFORE THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN NON-AGRICULTURAL PROPERTIES ARE RECOGNISED. THERE IS ALREADY AN ORDINANCE OPERATING ON THE LINES PROPOSED IN THE SECOND BILL BUT IT EXPIRES ON FEBRUARY 6, 1949.

The Finance Minister who originally moved for consideration of the bill agreed to refer it to a select committee after opposition to it in its present form was raised by a number of members. Some of the members pleaded for the dropping of the bill as it would create difficulties for a very large number of people who did not want to dodge taxes.

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari said that during the session of the Assembly in August last it was understood that the measures should be dropped. The House was considering the Commerce Minister's motion to amend the Indian Tariff Act, designed to give effect to the multi-lateral trade agreement, the provisional application for which India had, along with many other countries, signed in August last, when it adjourned till tomorrow.

PROCEEDINGS IN DETAIL

The Dominion Parliament which commenced its budget session today discussing official bills agreed to the Commerce Minister, Mr. K. C. Neogy's motion for reference to a select committee of the Chartered Accountants Bill.

Mr. Neogy said that the bill had been circulated to provincial governments, chambers of commerce, professional associations of accountants and societies and individuals generally interested in the question and the opinon so far elicited was overwhelmingly in favour of the principles underlining the measure. In 1946, the Accountancy Board supported the creation of an autonomous body for the accountancy profession. This body was expected to assume largely the responsibilities involved in the discharge of their public duties by securing maintenance of the requisite standard of professional qualifications, discipline and conduct, the control of the Central Government being confined to a very few specified matters.

The House agreed to the motion.

PAYMENT OF TAXES BEFORE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY

The Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai, moved the bill which provides for the payment of taxes before transfers of property were recognised in certain cases.

There is already an ordinance covering the provisions of the bill which expires on February 6.

Dr. John Matthai, moving the bill, said that the object of the bill was to safeguard the loss of revenue from persons who dispose off their properties with the intention of leaving India and settling down somewhere else. There were only two provisions in the bill. One was in regard to immovable property other than agricultural land. No transfer could be registered unless a tax clearance certificate was produced.

The other provision was in regard to movable property other than shares stocks and securities. The reason why an exemption was made in respect of agricultural land and shares, stocks and securities was that as far as agricultural lands were concerned, incometax from it did not come within the purview of the Central Government. In regard to shares, restrictions of this kind were likely to place impediments in the way of free negotiability. Ever since the Ordinance was enacted they had issued strict instructions to officers of the incometax department that the tax clearance certificate required in this case should be promptly issued. Those instructions had been strictly carried out and they had hardly received any complaint that this provision had been implemented so as to cause hardship. There might be hardship on one point and it might be said that there was no provision in the bill, as it stood, for an appeal to any higher authority. He had given notice of an amendment providing for this.

'DRASTIC' PROVISIONS

Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava moving an amendment said the bill should be referred to a Select Committee. The provisions of the bill were drastic and in actual operation the ordinance had caused considerable difficulties even in normal transactions.

Mr. Nazirudddin Ahmed supported Pandit Bhargava" motion for a reference of the bill to a Select Committee.

Prof. N. G. Ranga said that the provisions of the bill must be carefully examined. The bill, as it was, made even normal transactions and transfer of property impossible. A poor peasant who had nothing to do with the movement of population to Pakistan could not sell his property or transfer them without getting a certificate from the income-tax authority.

Lala Deshbandhu Gupta said "that the ordinance had caused great harrassment and inconvenience. Now that both the dominions had introduced the permit system for people visiting India of Pakistan, it should be the duty of the Government to make suitable arrangements for giving Tax-clearance certificates.—

CONGESTION IN INCOMETAX OFFICES

Sir Homi Mody opposed the bill. He said that the ordinance has enacted to meet an emergency when people were fleeing to Pakistan and coming here, often evading taxes. Now the situation had changed. In order to catch two or three people they could not have legislation which would jeopardise the interests of thousands of people. Speaking as a banker, Sir Homi said that this measure had created any amount of difficulty in the conduct of normal business and in advancing money on properties. There was so much congestion in the incometax office and it was not easy to obtain certificates of clearance. In a particular case where the mortgagee paid the money and wanted to take possession of his property from the bank, the authorities wanted to know if the bank had paid incometax. He did not think there was any need for this bill and at any rate hoped that sufficient opportunity would be given to the House to consider the matter.

The Speaker, Mr. Mavlankar, said that the bill entailed serious consequences to the general public and it would be better if the House considered it coolly and dispassionately. But for the fact that the bill would affect millions of people he would not have said anything about it. Subject to the limitations of a Speaker, he thought the measure, as it stood, gave fullest chance of corruption in the administration.

The Speaker suggested that the question might be informally discussed by members with the Finance Minister.

Mr. B. Das, while supporting the reference of the bill to the Select Committee, said the bill should really affect only those people who wanted to sell their property and go to Pakistan. It was pointed out to Mr. Das at this stage by other members that as it stood, the bill would apply to every one.

EMANATED FROM SPIRIT OF RETALIATION

Mr. Mahabir Tyagi said that the bill emanated from a spirit of retaliation. Pakistan had committed an error and they had followed it which was bad. People had gone to Pakistan and a vast number of people had come from Pakistan to India. The people who had come to India would never return to Pakistan for their property. On moral grounds, he added, they had no claim on taxes from persons who were no more their citizens. He did not oppose the bill totally, he said, but, that he condemned the spirit behind the attempt to realise taxes from a man who had gone away. He submitted that the bill must be referred to a select committee.

The Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai, replying to the debate said he was prepared to have the bill referred to a select committee and even extend the time for the Committee to submit its report. He felt that the sense of the House could be summarised as follows: That there was a case for examining the bill in some more detail. When he decided to come forward with this bill he felt that there was a PRIMA FACIE case for such a bill. Mr. Krishnamachari had suggested that at a certain stage during the last August session, there was an undertaking given by Mr Neogy, who was then Finance Minister, that the bill would be dropped altogether. He was not in charge of the bill at the time and so he was not aware of details. But as far as he was able to make out, there was a considerable body of opinion in the House that favoured the bill being dropped altogether. On the basis of that opinion, a representation was made to Mr. Neogy and Mr. Neogy felt that on the basis of this representation it would not be wise to proceed with the bill straightaway but that it was necessary to give the House a little more time to consider this matter.

The purpose of the bill was preventive and it was because of this that he had not been able to give a clearer statement of the manner in which the ordinance—which they sought to replace by the bill—had worked.

Referring to other points made during the debate, the Finance Minister said he agreed that some of the provisions had caused hardship to certain people. It would be open to the Select Committee to make the necessary changes. ..The object of the bill was not to be vindictive or retaliatory but to prevent loss of revenues to the State.

Before the motion for reference to the Select Committee was put, Prof N. G. Ranga asked whether it would be open to the Select Committee to recommend to the House to drop the measure. The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar said it could. The Bill was then referred to a Select Committee.

TARIFF CONCESSIONS

The House then took up the Commerce Minister's Bill to amend the Tariff Act which Mr. Neogy explained was designed to give effect to Tariff concessions which India had agreed to when she signed the protocol of provisional application of the multi-lateral trade agreement.

Before agreeing to sign the Protocol, the Government had consulted the Standing Advisory Committee for commerce who had advised that the Protocol should be signed. The Standing Advisory Committee had also authorised the Government to take whatever action was possible to reduce tariffs as required under the agreement. It was his intention to have the bill passed during the last session but it was crowded out by other measures of greater importance.

The general agreement on tariffs and trade was in a sense closely related to the Charter of the International Trade Organisation, the draft of which was discussed at Geneva and Havana simultaneously with the agreement. Nevertheless, the two things were distinct and it was desirable to stress the point here to avoid discussion on the charter provisions. He did not yet know when, if at all, the Charter would come to be accepted by all the more important nations of the world.

Summarising the main provisions of the trade agreement, Mr. Neogy said they fell into three parts; Firstly, the most favoured-nation treatment, the rates of duty being only one of the items involved in such treatment; Secondly, the provisions contained in the charter of the international trade organisation which were essential to safeguard the value of these tariff concessions and thirdly, details of procedure and ancillary matters.

PROVISIONAL IMPLEMENTATION

Mr Neogy pointed out the agreement would be operative only till the end of December 1950. It was also open to any country to withdraw from the provisional application of the agreement after giving sixty days notice. The agreement contemplated only the preliminary stage and that it would only be provisionally implemented. By signing the provisional Protocol, they had undertaken to apply parts one and three of the agreement and such portions of part two as were not inconsistent with existing legislation. In actual practice, of course, they could claim that their sea customs act and other laws were generally so much in consonance with international practice that hardly any change would be necessary when they came to definitively apply the agreement. Referring to the tariff nagotiations at Geneva and Havana Mr. Neogy stated that although they were ultimately the result of multilateral negotiations, in practice, the negotiations were conducted on a commodity-by-commodity basis with countries which happened to be the principal suppliers of each commodity. In selecting the items for granting concessions to other countries and determining the nature of concessions to be granted, the Indian delegation was guided by three factors.

Firstly: That the concessions granted should be such as were demonstrably in the interests of national economy; secondly, they should not relate to products which were protected or in respect of which claims for protection were likely to be made during the next three years, and, thirdly, the concessions should not result in excessive loss of revenue,

The concessions were of three kinds; Reduction in the existing rates of duty; a binding against future increases of duty; and reduction or elimination of the margin of preference which India had granted to other countries. The nature of these concessions was such as would increase the volume of international trade and also result in elimination of grouping of countries involved in the trade for reasons other than purely economic or commercial.

The principal commodities in respect of which these concessions had been offered were food stuffs, butter, Zinc, motor car parts etc. in return for these concessions had been obtained for India mainly for: jute and jute manufactures, shellac, spices and condiments, mica, coir-mattings, essential oils etc.

Referring to the manner in which the concessions had been implemented, the Commerce Minister stated that in cases where substantial reduction had been agreed upon, such duties whether standard or preferential, had been substituted for the existing rates. In cases where only reduction in the margin had been negotiated, this reduction had been secured invariably by leaving the standard rate untouched and by raising to the requisite extent the preferential rate.

SPECIAL CONCESSION TO INDIA

In spite of this agreement, Mr. Neogy pointed out, pecial consideration had been given to India. There was a provision in the agreement, specially for the benefit of India and Pakistan which said that these two states would not be prevented from entering into special arrangements with respect to trade between them, pending the establishment of mutual trade relations on a definite basis. Mr. Neogy hoped that both the countries would take advantage of this provision. The agreement also provided for India not making the agreement applicable to South Africa with whom she had suspended all trade relations. If such a provision was not there, then it would have been open to South Africa to accuse India before the other contracting parties of violating the terms of the agreement to which both were parties along with the others.

Prof. Ranga thought it would be better if the bill was considered by a Select Committee. He would like to know, under the new agreement, whether India stood to gain more than under the Imperial Preference policy. Under the Imperial Preference system certain commodities, specially the export of Indian tobacco was lucrative, he added.

80 MILLION DOLLARS ALREADY BORROWED

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and it is after their departure that India will put in a formal loan application to the Bank.

STILL UNDER DISCUSSION

The Government of India are examining with the help of the Bank Mission, all their developmental plans with a view to determining which of them may be suitable for being financed by a loan from the Bank. These plans include projects for bringing under cultivation waste and weed-infested lands, for the sinking of tubewells, for the development of fisheries and the purchase of locomotives, ships and hydro-electrical equipment.

As these matters are still under discussion, I cannot, obviously, at this stage, give any indication to honourable members either of the amounts for which we might ultimately apply for a loan or the terms or conditions on which the loan might ultimately be granted.

After reading out the statement, the Finance Minister answered a number of questions put by the members.

"MATTER FOR NEGOTIATION"

Replying to Prof. Ranga as to the projects which were being placed before the International Bank Mission and whether the Rampadasagar project was also included among them, the Finance Minister said the mission was making a general survey of all the projects in which Government were interested and which they had so far been able to work out in sufficient detail. He could not say whether the Ramapadasagar project had been included in it.

Replying to R. K. Sidhwa, the Finance Minister said the percentage of interest would be one of the matter for negotiation with the Mission.

Sir H. P. Modi asked whether the International Bank would also decide the priorities in relation to the various projects or would it merely satisfy itself that the projects were in order and well under way. The Finance Minister stated that all these were matters yet to be discussed with the Mission.

Answering Shrimati Durgabai, the Finance Minister stated it was not necessary to consult the House before an agreement was reached on these loans.

KASHMIRIS LURED FROM HOMES, NOW STRANDED

(From A Correspondence)

SRINAGAR.—The Kashmiri Muslim refugees uprooted from their homes in the recently-liberated territory in and around Kotli, who were coerced into accompanying the raiders as they withdrew from that area, have found themselves stranded between the devil and the deep sea.

The condition of these civilians, sandwiched between the Pakistanis and 'Azad Mujahids' has been described by Muslims who somehow managed to escape from the clutches of the hostiles and smuggle themselves into Indian territory, as extremely deplorable and pathetic.

Neither allowed to enter Pakistan nor permitted by the 'Azadis to come back to their homes, these Muslims are huddled up together confusedly in the various enemy-held areas. The onset of severe winter has made the position worse for these poor people who are left without warm clothing. They are not supplied any food ration and death is now starting them in the face. With no means of earning a livelihood, these unfortunate people have hitherto been venturing into the 'no-man's land' for the foodgrains abandoned there but now exhausted.

They have made desperate efforts to go back to their homes but have been prevented from doing so at the point of the bayonet. Kept under the strict surveillance of fire-brand Pathan fanatics, some of these refugees were summarily shot when they made a bid for liberty.

Three villagers of Jhangar, Shah Mohammad, Rahim Ali and Feroze Din, have revealed that the Muslim rufegees are collected in groups of 400 or 500 each at half a dozen places. Some of them are left with the barest means of subsistence, others are suffering from the effects of starvation and many are dying for want of food. The Pakistani authorities have refused point-black to evacuate them either to the N.W.F.P. or the West Punjab and, at the same time, expressed their inability to provide them any food, clothing or medicine. Thus disowned by Pakistan, we are afraid, a vast majority of them will die when the cold weather is at its peak."

Stop Press

SEPARATE STATE FOR KARENS

RANGOON, Feb. 1. (PTI-Reuter): Thakin Nu, Burmese Prime Minister, declared today that his Government was prepared to grant a separate state for the Karens—now fighting the Government in a country-wide uprising—but was determined to prevent secession of that State "even at the risk of civil war".

COUNTESS MOUNTBATTEN VISITING INDIA

VALETTA, (Malta), Feb. 1. (PTI-Reuter): Countess Mountbatten, wife of Britain's last Viceroy to India, said today that she will visit India within the next few weeks, with her younger daughter, Lady Pamela, at the invitation of the Indian Government.

VIETNAMESE COLLABORATE WITH CHINESE 'REDS'

PARIS, Feb. 1. (Pti-Reuter): Ho Chi Minh, Leader of the Viet Minh autonomists fighting the French in Indo-China, said in a broadcast speech today that he had a secret agreement with General Mao Tse-Tung the Chinese Communist leader, it was reported from Saigon.

One Crore Scheme To Reclaim 'Khar' Lands

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT SET UP BOARD

'Grow More Food' Drive In Province To Yield 50,000 Tons Of Rice

Exclusive To "Chronicle"

(By Thomas J. Coutinho, Our Staff Reporter)

BOMBAY, TUESDAY.

A GIGANTIC "GROW MORE FOOD" SCHEME WHICH WILL INVOLVE AN EXPENDITURE OF ONE CRORE OF RUPEES TO BE SPREAD OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS AND WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY BRING UNDER CULTIVATION, FIVE LAKH ACRES OF "BRINY" LAND IN THE PROVINCE IS TO BE SOON UNDERTAKEN BY THE BOMBAY GOVERNMENT.

The yield of rice grown in these vast reclaimed areas which stretch from the northern end of the Province in Broach to its southern littoral extremity in Karwar, will be nearly 50,000 tons of rice per year. This "Operation Food" will not require a single machine or mechanical implement and will be carried out by means of time-old, indigenous methods of bunding.

Though in the initial stages the rice grown will be of a coarser variety, within two or three seasons, as the salinity of the marshy lands diminishes in proportion, better varieties of rice will be planted, including fine rice of the highest quality.

KUNTE'S BRAIN-WORK

The entire scheme is brain-work of Mr. D. K. Kunte, M.L.A., Parliamentary Secretary, to the Premier, who got the idea when he lived among the people, during Gandhiji's salt satyagraha in 1930-32. The inspiration came from the bunding methods employed by the villagers of "Dandi".

For this purpose the Government of Bombay have decided to set up a Board to be known as the Khar Land Development Board, under the Bombay Khar Land Development and Improvement Act which was passing during the Poona session of the Legislative Assembly. The Chairman of the Board will be Mr. Kunte, the originator of the plan. It will, besides a Secretary who will be an official, consist of eight non-official members and the Secretary to the Revenue Department, the Secretary to the Agricultural Department and the Director of Agriculture.

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT

Mr. Kunte had recently been to Delhi in this connection, and it is learnt that the Central Government have agreed to contribute an equal amount as may be spent by the Government of Bombay, in the implementation of the colossal plan.

The cost of the entire scheme will be divided thus—40 per cent will be borne by the landlords, 20 per cent by the tenants and the remainder by the Bombay and Central Governments, equally.

The motto of the Board will be:—"Grow More Food".

LEVY ON RECLAIMED LAND

The Board will levy a cess on every acre of land reclaimed or protected by the bunds erected by it. Out of the levy so received, 75 per cent will be turned over to a local Committee, set up by the people of the areas themselves. The Committee which will be formed by means of election, will comprise tenants and cultivators.

The remaining 25 per cent of the levy will be set aside for Sinking Fund, which wil be held as a reserve to be utilised when need arises, that is if bunds are washed away and have to be repaired or reconstructed.

INCREASE IN STAPLE FOOD

At the peak of the success of this scheme five lakh acres of land which at present are almost barren are expected to be under full cultivation taking into account those of such lands as are already being cultivated. All this vast acreage of waste-land will produce that much wanted cereal —India's staple fod, Rice—, of which at present there is a acute shortage.

ERECTION OF BUNDS

The members of the Khar Land Development Board, will be all Government nominees and it will be entrusted with the task of erecting bunds where they do not exist, repairing bunds where they are in a state of disrepair and reconstructing them when they are washed away. Besides, the Board will have to improve "Khar" lands, protect them against the ravages of sea-water and reclaim lands bordering on the sea-coast which can be brought under cultivation.

DANDI BUND

The first bund to be raised will be at Dandi with which is associated Mahatma Gandhi's famous freedom march. Eight thousand acres of land will be reclaimed here at the cost of two lakhs of rupees and from this nucleus, the Board will spread its activities from Broach to Kanara, bringing within its orbit all "Khar" lands.

So far two lakh acres of such lands were already under partial cultivation. Due to the pre-war slump and several other practical difficulties, these lands came to be sadly neglected, which defect the Board will endeavour to remedy. Districtwise the areas to be brought under cultivation by the device of bunding will include, Boarch, Surat, Thana, Kolaba, Ratnagiri and Karwar.

CUT IN FOOD DEFICIT

This plan, agricultural experts think, will go a long way in helping to cut down the yearly food deficit in the Province.

NEW ROBOT SPINNING MACHINE

Revolutionary Development In Textile Industry

A new robot spinning machine, embodying an entirely new system of roving, spinning and twisting machinery, has been developed in Britain.

Primarily designed for the worsted spinning industry, the new system is applicable to cotton, flax and rayon staple, and opens up far-reaching possibilities for the centrifugal spinning of all dry fibre yarns.

GREATEST DEVELOPMENT SINCE SPINNING JENNY

The new robot spinning machine is acclaimed as the greatest development in the textile industry since Hargreaves' spinning-jenny, Arkwright's spinning frame and Crompton's spinning mule.

Higher speeds, larger packages, a stationary bobbin, power-driven and automatic doffing, semi-automatic recovery, fewer end-breaks, a great reduction in labour requirements and a reduction in floor-space per pound of yarn produced, are among the important advantages

Owing to its semi-automatic recovery operation, the machine requires only brief manual attention at the conclusion of the doffing and is so designed that even the absence of any attention does no harm, but merely delays the start of spinning on the new bobbin.

CAN SWITCH ITSELF OFF

Thus, the machine will continue to run through meal breaks and on overtime without attention, for it can be left to run itself out and it will switch off itself at the end of the doffing. The setting of a switch enables each machine to be stopped at a pre-determined time and it will be found ready to complete doffing and start spinning at the beginning of the next working period. Each machine is driven by individual electric motors

AFGHAN TRADE MISSION IN DELHI

Sardar Mohd. Naim Khan, Deputy Minister of National Economy, Government of Afghanistan (Leader) being greeted by Shri. B. N. Bannerjee, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Commerce on the occasion of the arrival of the Mission at Willingdon Aerodrome, New Delhi, on Jan. 31 to have trade negotiations with the Government of India. His Excellency Sardar Najibullah Khan, Afghanistan Ambassador in India is seen in the centre.—P.I.B.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

The Governor of Bombay received Major-General D. S. Brar, Area Commander, Mr. H. H. Ismail and Mr. G. G. Morarji.

His Excellency witnessed the screening of the newsreel of the Governor-General's visit to Bombay at the private theatre of the Films Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting at 20, Haines Road.

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DR. N. S. HARDIKAR

HUBLI, Feb. 1, (A.P.I.): Dr. N. S. Hardikar, Founder of the Hindustan Seva Dal, who has not recovered from his recent illness today left for Hukeri to take further rest in a sanatorium there.

Dr. Hardikar, had to cancel his visit to Hyderabad to inaugurate the Seva Dal organisation there on January 26. The inauguration has now been postponed until the complete recovery of Dr. Hardikar.

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MR. ANTHONY EDEN

HONOLULU, Jan. 31, (Pti-Reuter): Mr. Anthony Eden, Deputy leader of the British Opposition, arrived here by air today on his way to New-Zealand.

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PAKISTAN AIR FORCE CHIEF

KARACHI, Feb. 1, (A.P.I.): Air Vice-Marshal Richard Atcherley arrived in Karachi this morning to take over command of the Royal Pakistan Air Force from Air Vice-Marshal Keene.

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MR. MORARJI DESAI

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. Morarji R. Desai, Minister for Home and Revenue will leave Bombay, for Delhi, on Saturday, February 5, by Frontier Mail.

He will leave Delhi for Bombay on Wednesday, Februarv 9, by the same train.

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MR. INDULAL YAJNIK

Mr. Indulal Yajnik will arrive in Bombay on February 11 to acquaint the citizens with the Famine conditions of Gujerat. He will speak at a meeting of important citizens and social workers at the Bhavatsky Lodge on the same day.

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B. L. SHARMA

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (U.P.I.): Mr. B. L. Sharma, officiating Deputy Secretary in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, has been appointed Principal Information Officer, Press Information Bureau, says a Press Note.

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IRAQI TRADE DELEGATION

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (A.P.I.): An Iraqi trade delegation led by His Excellency Abdullah Al Kassab arrived here last evening. The other members of the delegation are Mr. Saj Amir Al Kamiln, Mr. Mustafa Assad Khan, Mr. Salman Jwaida and Mr. Hassim Khalil, Consul in Bombay for Iraq.

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MAYOR OF BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Feb. 1, (U.P.I.): Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas, the Mayor of Bombay, will inaugurate the Sarvajanik Saraswati Pooja and the Arts and Crafts Exhibition organised in connection with the celebrations on February 3 at Shrimat Anandshram Hall, Talmakiwadi, Tardeo, Bombay.

Mr. Joachim Alva, the Sheriff of Bombay, will preside over the Musical entertainment programme on February 5.

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MRS. VIJAYALAKSHMI

PRAGUE, Feb. 1, (Pti-Reuter): Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, Indian Ambassador to the Soviet Union, arrived here today from Paris on her way to Moscow.

She was met at the airport by Mr. N. Raghavan, Indian Ambassador, and members of his staff and went on to his residence, where she will stay two days before resuming her journey.

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DELHI GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

TUESDAY, Feb. 1.

In the morning the Governor-General received the following:

Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya.

The Hon'ble Shri M. Bhaktavatsalam.

In the evening, the Governor-General received the Hon'ble Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.

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SIR WILLIAM STRANG

BANGKOK, Feb. 1, (Pti-Reuter): Sir William Strang, Permanent Under-Secretary designate at the British Foreign office, arrived here from Singapore by air today.

Sir William, who said he was on a survey tour of South-East Asia before taking up his new post, will meet the Siamese Premier, Marshal Pibul Songgram tomorrow.

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COL. LIMB

SEOUL, Feb. 1, (Pti-Reuter): Colonel Ben A. Limb, former Chief of the Korean Mission in Washington, has been appointed southern Korean Foreign Minister by President Syngman Rhee. Colonel Limb replaces Chang Taik Sung, who resigned last month.

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MRS. W. E. PARRY

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (A.P.I.): Mrs. W. E. Parry, wife of the Commander in-Chief of the R.I.N. has been elected President of the Armed Forces Welfare Women's Organisation in succession to Lady Bucher, wife of the former C.-in-C. of the Indian Army.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): Armed Forces Welfare Week, commencing on February 5, will be observed in Calcutta. The highlight of the various shows and entertainments planned in connected with this week will be an armed forces exhibition at the Brigade Parade Ground. It will be opened by the West Bengal Governor, Dr. K. N. Katju, and attended by high civil and military officials.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

INCREASED SELLING IN TATA STEELS

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

The local Share Bazar was easy today with increased selling pressure. It is said that some bulls were liquidating on adn unwilling market.

Tata Steel Defds. opened at Rs. 1638 and declined at Rs. 1605 on a steady flow of liquidation. At this level short covering came in and Defds. improved at Rs. 1615 but again weakened at Rs. 1605. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 291 and downturned at Rs. 286. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 970 and declined at Rs. 962 while Kohinoors after opening at Rs. 277 and quietened at Rs. 274 while Scindia Shares were easy at Rs. 19-12.

Later on the market was quiet with mixed trading. Tata Steel Defds were Quoted at Rs. 1607/8 and Ordinary Shares were done at Rs. 285/8 after touching Rs. 284/8. Swadeshi Shares were done at Rs. 274/- and Simplex Share swere quoted at Rs. 173/12. Bombay Burmas were placed at Rs. 282/8 while Associated Cements were steady at Rs. 157/-. Constructions were done at Rs. 126 12 and Bellapurs were quoted at Rs. 225/- Scindia Shares were done at Rs. 19 14. The market closed quiet

FORWARD SECTION

Bombay Dyeing (12-8)	962 8
Kohinoor Mills (6)	274 0
Swadeshi Mills (22)	274 0
Central India Mills (4)	237 0
Simplex Mills (8)	173 8
New Great Eastern (10)	156 0
Indore (9 plus 3)	170 10
Gokak Mills (20)	268 0
Century-Spinning (15)	230 0
Colaba (12)	149 0
India Bleaching (6)	153 0
Swan Mills (20)	309 8
Finlay Mills (15)	270 8
Morarji Goculdas XD	470 0
Edward Sassoon (30) XR	240 0
Meyer (12) XD	115 0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 14 6
India United Ord. (0-12-9)	11 1
India United Defd (0-1-6)	1 9
Madhusudan Mills (15)	190 0
Podar (8)	150 0
Khatau Makanji (8)	205 0
Indore Coupon	82 0
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	286 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1605 0
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	137 0
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (5)	156 4
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8) XD	281 4
Bellapur Sugar (9) XD	225 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	28 0
Scindia Steam (1-4)	19 12 6
Premier Construction	125 0
Tata Chemical	12 12
Tata Oil (2)	63 12
Indian Iron (0-12) XD	21 12
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	19 12
British India Corp (0-10)	7 14
I Copper	2 2
Wimco XR	183 12
Alcock	183 12
Belapur Coupon	53 8

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	67 0
Phoenix Mills (50) XR	220 0
Indian Manufacturing XD	430 0
Kooria Mills (8)	131 4
David Mills (8)	191 4
New City Mills (10)	181 4
Minerva Mills (12)	121 4
Bradbury Mills (12)	587 8 0
Bharucha Defd (0-4)	5 0
Bharat Mills (2)	31 0
Mysore Spg Mills (8)	172 8
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	15 0
Model Mills (12-8) XD	175 4
Lakshmi Cotton (25) XD	612 8
Vishnu Cotton (8) XD	215 0
Western India (40) XD	4070 0
Standard Mills (15)	245 1
Sholapur Mills (200)	3500 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	9 8
Hindustan Mills (40)	4225 0
Tata Mills (5)	58 8
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	270 0
Ahmedabad Advance New	195 1
Sassoon Silk (3)	77 4
New Union Mills (0-8)	13 4
Madhusudan B (2-8)	35 0
Srinivas Mills (8)	175 1
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	100 0
Berar Mills	280 0
Victoria Mills	220 0
Colaba Land Coupon	42 0
New Great New	142 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Hydro ((4-4-0)	154 8
Andhra Valley (45)	1412 8
Tata Power (50)	1508 12
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	118 12
Ahmedabad New	12 6
Surat Electricity (2-8)	14 1
Karachi Electric (2)	127 8
Broach (0-5)	10 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 7
Amalgamated (0-12)	12 8
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	20 8
Poona Electric Supply (8)	150 0
Bombay Suburban (3) XD	141 4
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India (35) XD	1811 4
Imperial Bank of India (8-12) XD	447 8
Central Bank Old (1-8)	90 0
Central Bank New (1-8)	88 0
Bank of India (4) XR	195 0
Union Bank of India (0-5)	7 11 6
Bank of Baroda (2-8)	139 0
Habib Bank (4)	158 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	45 0
United Commercial (1-8)	58 12
Hindustan Commercial	49 12
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	35 8
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	20 8
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	105 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125) XD	4100 0
Empire (10)	670 0
New India (1-8)	60 0
Jupiter (1-4)	21 0
Vulcum (0-10	11 12
Indian Mercantile (2)	30 8
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B.I.G. (1)	18 1
Industrial and Prudential	20 1
Neptune Assurance	7 0
New Great	28 0
All-India General	17 8
RAILWAY SHARES	
Central Provinces (1-14)	113 4
Pachora Jumner Rly (2-8)	120 0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Bombay Steamer (10)	360 0
Bombay Burma New (5)	103 2
Burma Petrol	1 5
Mackenzie (6)	90 0
Port Canning (3)	97 0
Kemp and Co (30)	442 8
Kemp and Co. (New)	462 8
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	180 8
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	89 8
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	35 0
Mukund Iron	19 8
Dena Trust (0-12)	21 0
Alembic (15)	203 12
Associated Cement New (1-4)	147 8
Supreme India XR	123 12
Jam Wire (6)	67 8
Bombay Uganda	69 0
Bombay Motor Cycle	34 0
Indian Cement (1937)	25 0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	145 0
United Motor	74 0
Bombay Safe Deposit (37)	1002 8
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Gujarat Motor	20 0
Sardar Carbonic XD	750 0
Harvey Press	319 0
Estrela Batteries	61 0
Prince of Wales Press	619 0
Manmad Press	120 8
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	181 4
Andhra Valley (7)	1247 8
Tata Power (7-8)	1270 0
Hydro Electric (7)	122 8
Bombay Steamer (6)	308 12
Central India (5)	632 8
Swadeshi Mills	128 12
Vishnu Mills (7)	633 12
Lakshmi Mills	275 0
New Great Mills (5-8)	227 8
Podar Mills (4)	108 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	116 4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	310 0
Surat Electricity (2-4)	136 4
Premier Construction 1st (6 1/4)	120 0
Amalgamated (5-8)	122 2
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	116 4
Habib	72 0
Tata Chemical (5)	132 8
Walchand Nagar Ldus (7)	130 0
Jupiter General	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	121 4
Mackenzie 1st	85 0
Mackenzie 2nd	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mills	50 0
Standard Mills	101 0
Madhusudan Mills	13 0
Khatau Mills	104 0
Morarji	104 0
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952 (4)	103 8
Bombay Steamer (1950) (4-8)	101 10
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	106 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchand Nagar (6)	113 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 11 6
New Victoria Mill	2 8
New Victoria Pref	5 0
Phalton Sugar (8)	125 0
Gold Mohur (20)	280 0
New Kaiser-Hind	360 0
Sajjan Mills (20)	150 0
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	300 0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	340 0
Air Service XR	7 8
Ambica Air XR	5 0
Air India (100)	95 0
Hind Motor	4 14
Indian Steam	2 14

Indian Stock Exchange

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

Tata Ordinary 286; Tata Deferred 1606; Indian Iron 21/12; Steel Corpn. 69; Bengal 19/12; Bombay Dyeing 962/8; Central India 237/8; Gokak 268 12; Kohinoor 274/6; Simplex 173/12; Swadeshi 275; Tata Power 1508/12; Associated Cement 156/4; Belapur 225; Bombay Burma (Old) 281/4; Scindia 19/12/6; Central Bank 90; New India 60; Tata 2nd Pref. 137/8 Suburban 141-4 Hydro 154-8 Hydro Pref 121-14 22-8 Power 1515 8-12 Power Pref 1270

INSURANCE

New India 59-12 60 Oriental 4100

STEEL

B. Steel 20-7 19-8 19-14 19-12 I. Iron 22-9 21-9 21-14 21-12 Tata Defd 1636-4 20 27-8 5 17-8 2-8 10 5 Tata Ord. 292 87-8 86-12 84-8 86-8 85-8 86-12 86 Tata 1st Pref 180 81-4 Tata 2nd Pref 137-12 36-8 37

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 275 73-12 A. C. C. Old 156 57 56 56-4 A. C. C. New 147-4 47-8 Belapur 226 24 25-8 25 B. B. Old 291-4 80 85 77-8 82-8 81-4 B. B. New 103-12 3-2 B. B. Petrol 1-5-9 1-5 B. I. Corporation 7-14 Dharamsey Chem. 36 I. Bleaching 153 I. Copper 2-3 I. I. Trust 89-8 P. Construction 134 29 30-8 27-8 28-8 25 Shivrajpur 27 28 Tata Chemical 12-12 Tata Pref. 132-8 Tata Oil 64-8 65-4 63-8 63-12 Wimco 183-12

SPECIAL

Belapur Coupon 60 58 59 Indore Coupon 83 82 Madhusudan B. 35 Dena Bank 45 Gujarat Investment Trust 40-8

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

MILLS

Ahmedabad Advance 268-12 70 Apollo 2-14-6 Bharat 31 B. Dyeing 972-8 65 67-8 62-8 65 62-8 C. India 239-8 37 38 37 37-8 37 Colaba 149 Elphinstone Ord 67 „ Pref 116-4 Finlay 270 71-8 70-8 Gokak 267 66 68 I.U. Defd 1-10 1-9 „ Ord 11-5 11 11-1 Indore 171-4 70 70-10 Khatau 205 Kohinoor 276/8 74 75/5 73/4 74/8 74 Madhusudan 185 Model 177-8 76-4 New Great 157 55 56 Podar 150 Simplex 175-8 73-8 75 73-8 Swadeshi 276 74-8 75-8 73-8 74-8 74 Tata Mills 59 58/8 C. P. Rly. 113 13-4

STEAMER

B. Steam 360 Scindia 20/3 20/1 20/2 19/11 19/14 19/11 19-13 19-12-6

BANKS

Baroda 139 Central 90-4 89-8 90 „ A New 88 Imperial Old 1805 1790 1811-4 „ New 447-8 48-12 42-8 47-8 India 195 Union 7-12-6 7-11-6 U. Commercial 59/8 58/12.

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 119-8 18-12 Andhra Valley 1415 12-8 Amalgamated 12-8

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, February 1.

The local Cotton Market was fairly steady today. There was restricted trading.

The Government has introduced from today licensing in greater Bombay for Ready Cotton. In view of shortage of supplies, in due course Government will have to freeze all stocks and if the scarcity of raw cotton becomes acute, perhaps some sort of rationing will have to be adopted.

The market opened at Rs 618-4 and finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:

I. C. C. February	620 0 0
I. C. C. May	618 12 0
I. C. C. July	617 4 0
I. C. C. September	616 8 0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May Contract is 867 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

PRODUCE MARKET

Bombay, Feb. 1.

The Produce market was steady today with moderate buying. Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 132-13 and advanced at Rs. 133-4. Groundnuts and Linseed sections were steady.

Later on the market advanced at Rs. 133-14 and closed as under:

GROUNDNUTS:—	
Khandesh quality	35 0 0
Coromandal	34 12 0
Bold ready	34 2 0
Bold Feb-March	34 2 0
CASTORSEEDS:—	
May delivery	133 9 0
Ready	23 8 0
LINSEEDS:—	
Ready	26 10 0
Feb-March	26 8 0
April-May	26 10 0
GROUNDNUT OILS:—	
Ready receipts	19 14 0
February	19 12 0
March	19 14 0
Linseed Oil	16 12 0
Castorseed oil first pressing	19 0 0
Castorseed oil Commercial quality	17 8 0
Gingellyseed	225 to 230

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

2 1/4 per cent 1964	98 8
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100 4
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99 12
2 1/2 per cent 1961	97 1
2 3/4 per cent 1960	97 1
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99 2
2 3/4 per cent 1976	98 0
3 per cent Non-Terminable	99 0
3 per cent 1988 Con.	96 13
3 per cent 1942-52	100 10
3 per cent 1953-55	101 6
3 per cent 1957	101 4
3 per cent 1959-61	100 15
3 per cent 1963-65	100-1
3 per cent 1966-68	99 13
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104 10
4 per cent 1960-70	110 10
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112 0
4 1/2 per cent 1953-58	115 4
PROVINCIAL LOANS	
2 3/4 per cent U P 1961	98 2
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98 2
3 per cent Punjan 1948	98 14
3 per cent Bombay 1956	100 12
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100 12
3 per cent Madras 1952-63	100 4
3 per cent U.P. 1952	100 4
3 per cent C. P. 1963	100 8
3 per cent N. W. F. 1963	99 10
3 per cent U P 1961-66	100 0
4 per cent Bombay Municipality D.	111 0
5 per cent Bom. Muni 1959	114 8
6 per cent Bom. Muni 1954	114 8
3 1/4 per cent Municipality 6 K. P. T	114 1

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Jan. 31.

Consols 2-1/2%	£ 30-7/8
Conversion loan 3-1/2% 1961	£ 107-1/8
Funding Loan 4% 1960/90 & after	£ 114-7-16
War Loan 3-1/2% 1952	£ 103-1/2
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London reg.	£ 104-1/2
National Bank of India	£ 39-1/2

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 7,626.

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, Jan. 31.

T. T. London on:

	Selling	Buying
New York	4.0275	4.0325
Montreal	4.0275	4.0325
Zurich	17.34	17.36
Stockholm	14.47 to	14.50

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, February 1.

The local Bullion Market was quiet today and under moderate selling. quotations were lowered.

It is said that the recent sharp upturn attracted selling by Calcutta and other upcountry markets.

Ready Silver opened today at Rs. 187 and declined at Rs. 186/10 on increased offerings while Spot Gold opened at Rs. 117/8 and later business was done at Rs. 117/6.

Quotations were as under:—

Ready Silver	186 10 0
Ready Gold	117 6 0
Sovereigns	75 4 0

N. Y. COTTON RALLIES SMARTLY AT CLOSE

NEW YORK, Jan. 31

Cotton rallied smartly at the close to an end otherwise slow and featureless session on the New York Cotton Exchange to-day.

The new crop months came to the foreground at the finish when some of last Friday's sellers became wary over the slim supply of contracts and suddenly decided to cover. Deferred contracts rallied more than one dollar per bale to finish around the day's best levels. Prior to the animated close, trading moved along at an unusually slow gait.

The severe wintry weather conditions in the west and south interrupted wire communications, holding out of town orders to a minimum.

The prospect for an even wider demand for the American growths is foreseen in the smaller crops indicated for Brazil and India. The New York Cotton Exchange to-day said recent Bombay advices indicated a less favourable outlook for the Indan Union as a result of the cyclone and heavy November rainfall. It was reported Indian cotton was estimated at 2,197,000 bales, equivalent to 400-pound bales, exclusive of household cotton. The latest estimate was compared with the recent figure of 2,543,000 bales and a suggested turn out of 3,000,000 bales made earlier in the season.

The smaller Pakistan crop prospects are favourable for the American outlook. The Pakistan crop is now estimated at 1,137,000 bales, equivalent to 400-pound bales, against an earlier promise exceeding 1,200,000 bales. The New York Exchange indicated that because of the crop situation, Pakistan's shipments to India may be sliced to 550,000 bales from the 650,000 bales provided for in the original terms of the Indo-Pakistan trade agreement

The market opened five higher to one lower. Thereafter, backed and filled listlessly within a 10-point range until the final flurry of buying got under way. Finishing around the best levels, the list closed one to 20 higher.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.

March	32.70+01
March Highest	32.72+03
March Lowest	32.67—02
May	32.51+05
July	31.44+07
October	28.92+20
December	28.69+20
Middling spot	33.70+01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.

March	32.68+01
May	32.45+03
July	31.43+04
October	28.89+21
Middling spot	32.70—

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 31.

Karnak Mar. 89.80 plus 80
„ May 85.65 plus 35
Ashmouni Feb. 53.65—20
„ Apr 54.25 plus 35

WALL STREET MARKET FIRM

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.

The Stock Market closed January on a firm note as buying developed on the circulation of rumours that General Motors Corporation earnings will be substantially higher for 1948 and the giant motor car maker may boost its dividend.

At the start of the session prices tended higher too but between the first few minutes of the day and the closing half-hour the list see-sawed back and forth in a maze of indecision. As a result, the close was irregular.

Wall Street gave little attention to the latest Moscow announcement that Premier Stalin would be willing to meet President Truman, looking on it as "nothing new." But at the same time, caution was prompted by indications that the Administration may start its fight in Congress by asking for a repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law and reinstitution of the Wagner Act.

Stock sales amounted to 610,000 shares. Curb sales amounted to 150,000 shares. The turnover in bonds came to doi. 2,633,000.

Dow Jones average closing included: industrials, 179.12; rails, 52.57; utilities, 34.68 and bonds 99.83.

Closing prices included: Abbot Laboratories 73; Allied Chemical 185; American Can 87 1/8; American Radiator 13 7/8; American Smelting 53 3/4; American Sugar 34 1/4; American Telephone 147 5/8; American Tobacco 66 1/4; Anaconda Copper 33 7/8; Bankers Trust 38 1/2; Bethlehem Steel 32 7/8; Boeing Plant 22; Canadian Pacific 13 1/4; Celanese 28 1/4; Chase National Bank 34 5/8; Chrysler 55; Consolidated Edison 22 7/8; Douglas Aircraft 51 1/2; Dupont 186 3/4; Eastman Kodak 43 3/4; Firestone Tire and Rubber 49; General Electric 38 1/4; General Motors 60 3/4; Gillette 30 1/2; Goodyear 44 1/4; International Nickel 30 1/2; International Tel and Tel 10; Lockheed 16 7/8; Nash Kelvinator 14 3/8; National City Bank 38 7/8; New York Central 12; Pennsylvania Railroad 16 3/8; Shell Oil 35 1/8; Southern Pacific 46 1/4. Standard Oil New Jersey 70 1/8; Studebaker 18 7/8; Swift and Co. 31 1/4; Twentieth Century Fox 20 5/8; U. S. Steel 77 3/8; Warner Bros. 9 3/4; Westinghouse Electric 23 3/4; Brazilian Traction 16 1/2; Technicolour 11 1/2.

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, Jan. 31.

Australian wheat f.o.b. bulk 99/3 Jan-Feb. quoted

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.

Pepper futures closed inactive and nominally unchanged on the New York Produce Exchange today. Dullness ruled in the spot market. Nearby ofloat supplies were quoted at 63 cents or one cent lower than last week. Pepper aboard the steamer "Silver Plan", secheduled to leave Coachin last week, was quoted at 59 cent. While Indian offering were not numerous, scatter offerings were reported around 52 cents for February, March 49, April 47 and May 46. New York sellers' prices allowing for operating margin showed February 56. March 52, April 50 and May 49 cents ex dock.

Closing prices included: March 57 nom, May 51 nom, July|Sept. 46 nom. Oct. 45 nom. Dec. 44 nom and Jan. 42 nom.

Meanwhile, traders believe the sudden revival of strength last week was teachnical reaction and most of them were not inclined to revise their long range views J. Berlage and Company, dealers with agents throughout Asia, issued their results of a three-week preliminary study of the supply situation by Michael F. Corio. They said it appears "lower prices are in the making". The estimated Indian crop will be 25,000 tons plus 3,000 tons carryover. Belrage Co. added that "marketable supplies in other parts of the Far East including those estimated to be available for prompt shipment from Indonesia are estimated at 9,000 tons. This makes a total available marketable supply of 37,000 tons."

It is estimated that "15,000 tons" are potential supplies in Indonesia—the availability of which is considered to be dependent upon political conditions over there. This would make 52,000 tons total estimated supplies on hand and potential supplies during 1949.

The survey concluded: "It seems reasonable to assume that European consumption would be drastically curtailed by disinclination of importing countries over there to issue foreign currency and import licenses for pepper. As a consequence, it is expected pressure to sell in the United States by producing countries will increase as we go along."

LONDON PEPPER IDLE

LONDON, Jan. 31.

Trading conditions remained idle in the London market today due to Chinese New Year holidays in Singapore.

Dealers believe when Singapore reopens black will be around 3|2-1|4, White 4. Neither price was very interesting to London.

Malabar on London basis for January|March was quoted at about 310.

WORTH STREET EXPERIENCES USUAL MONDAY INVENTORY LULL

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.

Worth Street activity was marked by the usual Monday inventory lull today.

Converters showed continuing interest in piques, broad cloths and wide print goods but other constructions were quiet. Dresswear manufacturers and exporters checked on width print cloths, while sheeting producers noted inquiries for wide fabrics from coaters. Burlap buyers strictly limited their new purchases to immediate requirements. The conservative buying policies practised for many weeks past were coupled with the confusion created by the erratically lower trend in Calcutta.

CHICAGO GRAIN PRICES

CHICAGO, Jan. 31 (UPA)

The following were closing prices on the Chicago Board of Trade today:

WHEAT

May	2.19-1|4-3|8
July	2.04-3|4
September	2.05-3|4
December	2.07-3|8.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Jan. 31

U. S. price of foreign silver 70 cents

LONDON BULLION

London, Jan. 31

Silver spot and forward both 42 1/2d. Gold Bars fine per oz. £8-12-3

Britain's Industrial Production Sets New Record

LONDON, (By Cable):

Production in British industry last November broke all peace-time records. The latest index to industrial production shows that in that month the figure for all the industries was 29 per cent. above the 1946 level and about two per cent. above last October, the previous best month.

Manufacturing industries showed a rise in production to 32 per cent. above 1946 and about nine per cent. above November 1947. Taking the increase in employment during the year at two per cent., this is equivalent to an increase in individual output of seven per cent.—(London Press Service).

Europe's Largest Excavator For British Colliery

LONDON, (By Cable):

The latest advance in the expansion of Britain's coal industry is the introduction of the largest excavator in Europe. This giant 1,200-ton machine has just started work at an open-cast coal site in Bedlington where its 180 foot jib will lift 25 tons of earth at a time.

It is expected that within five years it will have removed 30,000,000 tons of earth to bring the 3,000,000-ton coalbed to the surface.

The excavator, which is of the walking dragline type, does actually walk on its own "feet", two massive metal floats moving at one-tenth of a mile per hour.—(London Press Service).

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS.

During the week endeed the 28th January, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 70,75,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, February 1.

S. S. CILICIA

From Liverpool: 112 drums solid chloride of zinc, 60 bags hydrate of aluminia, 438 cases tiles, 130 cases stout, 850 bags cut nails, 400 drums disinfectant, 100 drums dry green colour, 60 bundles British copper sheets, 609 ctns. rayon yarn, 100 cases domestic refrigerators, 54 bales wool tops, 125 rolls steel wire mesh, 100 cases bicarbonate of soda, 425 cases beer, 31 bags steel sofa springs, 60 cases grey cotton yarn, 109 bales oil cambed wool tops, 328 bundles steel bars, 32 cases steel rings, 29 packages fire bricks, 430 ctns. rayon yarns, 40 cases looms, 85 cases electric motors, 78 bales wool tops, 2,332 cases chocolate, 40 ctns. glass tumblers, 46 cases diesel engines, 63 bundles aluminium conduit tubes, 357 coils mild steel bars, 444 bags activated carbon, 55 drums paint driers, 56 drums hydro sulphite, 161 packages aniline dyes, 58 cases cotton yarn, 456 pieces S. E. ware, 115 bags mild steel washers, 61 cases boot protectors, 500 cases bottled beer, 119 cases pedal cycles, 40 packages cotton piecegoods, 140 cases window glass, 138 cases liquid paint, 80 cases electric machinery, 301 drums dry aniline dye, 164 drums alizarine, 39 casks aniline salt, 210 drums dry sodium aluminate, 9,706 bags soda ash, 200 drums sodium sulphate, 74 drums calcium chloride, 400 drums carbonate of ammonia, 1,019 drums indigo grains, 458 bags boiler laggings, 120 loose wheels and axles, 63 cases leather cloth, 223 packages lubricating retinax, 646 drums lubricating oil, 195 drums Printhols, 300 drums bleaching powder,

From Glasgow: 597 cases beer, 650 bags rose nails, 1,293 cases scotch whiskey, 960 bags starch, 162 bags nuts, 50 cases tinned fish, 200 cases gin, 53 drums sparing oil, 8,000 pieces fire bricks, 1,398 bundles flat steel bars, 101 drums coal pitch, 280 drums bleaching powder, 246 packages whiskey, 1,600 bags steel nails, 400 cases ale, 190 cases preservers 116 loose boiler plates, 146 loose dished plates, 937 cases lager beer, 122 rolls congoleum, 245 pieces sanitary earthern ware, 320 bags carbonate of magnesia, 30 cases tip nails, 216 drums coal tar pitch, 100 bags nails, 239 ctns. erasers, 268 ctns. sewing cotton threads, 100 bags asbestos, 60 casks barium nitrate, 125 cases chrome magnesite bricks, 2,126 crates sewing machines, 46 bags black nuts, 138 packages boiler fittings, 258 pieces steel tubes, 63 drums Dispersol, 186 drums dry aniline dyes, 834 packages structural steel work, 234 bundles spring steel bar ends 160 bales fireclay.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT:

BY AIR

To Karachi: 130 baskets betel leaves—M. Balam & Co.

S. S. VARSOVA

To Karachi: 162 bundles aluminium ware—L. Amichand Ltd. 75 jottas slate pen—A. M. Nayarath. 200 cases Sunlight soap and 57 cases Lifebuoy soap—Bhandari Bros.. 60 baskets betel leaves Ellias & Co. 10 baskets bete leaves—Rajab & Co. 60 baskets betel leaves—Murtaz & Co. 25 baskets betel leaves—T. Sundarjee. 100 baskets betel leaves—Panjani Trading Co. 10 baskets betel leaves—Akbar & Co. 80 baskets betel leaves A. Alimohamed. 5 baskets betel leaves—S. Abdulla. 150 baskets betel leaves—Bhajani & Co. 5 baskets betel leaves—M. Nagardas. 10 baskets betel leaves—B. Baboo & Co. 5 baskets betel leaves—K. Hussain. 10 baskets betel leaves—A. Abdulla.

S. S. ARONDA

To Mombasa: 10 cases jamestri—Thana Trading Co. 40 bales cotton piecegoods—The Elgin Mills Co. Ltd. 20 bags turmeric—J. Hemchand & Co. 63 bales cotton waste—G. Moledina.

To Zanzibar: 25 bags cumin seeds—J. Laxmichand & Co.

S. S. TREVINCE

To Hongkong: 30 bags sandal wood billets—D. Amer & Co. 10 bundles coir matting—F. P. Campbell & Co.

To Singapore: 100 bags talcum powder—Indo-Overseas Export Co. 5 bales cotton piecegoods—Maganlal & Bros.

S. S. HOEGH MERCHANT

To Colombo: 145 drums mixed paint—Elephant Oil Mills Ltd.

S. S. TAURINA

To Genoa: 28 bales Kashmir silk waste—International Agencies.

To Trieste: 175 bales raw cotton—Kilachand Devchand & Co.

S. S. FLYING ARROW

To Aden: 6 bales cotton waste—B. Mohanlal & Bros. 6 bales cotton waste—Jawahir Trading Co.

To New York: 401 bags gum karaya—K. M. Nathoo. 360 bales cotton waste—Chunilal & Co. 123 bags gum karaya—D. Mavji & Co. 66 bags gum karaya—N. Muljee & Co.

To Norfolk: 500 bales cotton waste—Sapt Textiles.

S. S. VIRGINIA MAY

To Karachi 30 bags epsom salt—M. Ahmed. 675 bags fresh fruits—Kotak & Co. 1,500 baskets betel leaves—Bombay Betel Leaves Exporters.

S. S. DARA

To Kuwait: 100 bales cotton fly—Kantilal & Co.

To Karachi: 30 cases glass ware—Shantilal and Co., 15 baskets betel leaves—Bhajani and Co., 5 baskets betel leaves—M. Najinda, 10 baskets betel leaves—A. Abdulla, 5 baskets betel leaves—S. Abdulla, 5 baskets betel leaves—K. Husain.

To Busrah: 600 bags talcum powder—Jaipur Mineral Development Syndicate.

To Rastamira: 31 bdls. oakum—Caltex (India) Ltd.

S.S. JALA BRAHMA

To Colombo: 100 bags fenel seeds, 50 bags methi seeds—S. Rajan and Co.

S.S. ARNA

To Antwerp: 200 bales cotton waste—V. A. Save and Co., 50 bales cotton waste—L. V. Vora, 20 bales cotton waste—E. T. Robertson and Son.

To Gothenburg: 55 bales cotton waste—Sapt. Textile Prod. and Ltd.

To Arlo: 56 bales cotton waste—V. A. Save and Co.

To Rotterdam: 142 bales cotton waste—Sapt. Textile Prod. India Ltd.

S.S. LAMESTERKERK

To Beirut: 70 bags nemsa powder—W. Harnarain Singh and Co.

S.S. DEVANHA

To Sydney: 45 bales cotton waste—B. Uttam Ram and Co.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

"BROCKBY HILL from Calcutta on Feb. 1 with 5442 tons coal: Agents: M.M.

"JALAMOTT" from Birkenhead on Feb. 1 with 5205 tons general cargo; Agents: S.S.N.

"TJIPANAS" from Rotterdam on Feb 1 with 5000 tons general cargo; Agents: Volkarts.

"EXMINSTER" from New York on Feb. 1 with 7,800 tons general cargo; Agents; Lionel Edwards.

"St. Edmund" from Adelaide on Jan. 31 with 8262 tons barley; Agents: Grahams Trading Co.

"THEODORE" from Calcutta of Jan. 31 with 3700 tons general cargo; Agents: Muhammadi Steamship Co.

DEPARTURES

"STRATHAIRD" for London on Jan. 31 with 3365 tons general cargo.

"CARTHAGE" for Hongkong on Jan. 31 with 392 passengers and general cargo.

"CLAN MACNELL" for Tuticorin on Jan. 31 with General cargo.

"KHARTOUM" for Karachi on Jan. 31 with general cargo.

Sugar Prices

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

Inferior Quality	86 0 0
Medium Size	90 0 0
Big Size	93 0 0
March dely.	31 1 0
May dely.	31 5 0
Jan. dely.	28 6 0
Arrivals Bags	4720

Produce Receipts

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

Cotton	10803
Linseed	80
Groundnuts	14097
Cottonseed	3960
Tilseed	28
Sugar	4757
Rice	36647
Mahura	16
Gram	227
Wheat	13582

Pepper Prices

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

Maha dely. (per cwt.)	184 to 186
Fagan dely. (per candy).	940 to 945

Hessian Market

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

45X11 per yd.	Pice.
Ready	104-1/2
Jan.-March dely.	105
April-June dely.	104
D. W. 40X28 BAGS.	
Ready	123 0 0
Jan.-March	114 0 0
April-June	111 0 0

Italian Art Silk Yarn

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

150 D. Feb.	3 5 9
Box *200 lbs.	669 0 0
120 D. Ready	3 9 0
150 D. Ready	3 5 6

NEW ADVANCE IN BRITISH TEXTILE MACHINERY

LONDON, (By Cable):

A new and up-to-date model of the Weston Pirn Winder, the well-known British textile machine, has been announced by a Surrey firm.

In its original form this machine was regarded as an outstanding example of British precision engineering skill in the textile field. The first model of this high speed automatic machine, suitable for a wide range of yarn counts in rayon, silk, cotton, wool

Kenya News Letter

INDIAN REFUSED PERMANENT RESIDENCE CERTIFICATE

No Logic In African Attack On Indians: European-Owned Press Reaction To Durban Riots

NAIROBI, (By Air)

Mr. Makhan Singh, the only Indian Trade Unionist in Kenya, who was acquitted by the Supreme Court of Kenya in October last on the charge of being "unlawfully in the Colony", has now been refused a certificate of permanent residence. This was revealed in a letter to Makhan Singh from the Principal Immigration Officer which read: "I am instructed to inform you that under Regulation 3 (2) (d) as amended by Government Notice No. 18 of 1949, His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has considered that it is in the interests of the Colony that you, being a person not born in the Colony, should be excluded from the operation of this definition of "permanent resident" contained in Sec. 2 of the Immmigration (Control) Ordinance 1948. A Certificate of permanent residence cannot, therefore, be issued to you".

SERVED WITH DEPORTATION ORDER

Mr. Makhan Singh, it may be recalled, who was alleged to have been "unlawfully in the Colony" by the Government was in October last year served with an Order of Deportation to India under the Immigration (Control) Ordinance 1948 which came into operation, replacing the old Immigration Ordinance, from August 1948. A "Habeas Corpus" application filed in his behalf in the Supreme Court of Kenya resulted in his acquittal as the Judge, Mr. Justice de Lestang, who heard the application, ruled that the Immigration (Control) Ordinance 1948 did not apply to permanent residents of which Mr. Makhan Singh unequivocally proved himself to be one. Thereafter Makhan Singh applied for a permanent residence certificate but the Government, after a careful study of the Immigration (Control) Ordinance for "loopholes" said to exist in it, promulgated an Amendment (Govt. Notice No. 18) which in one night was passed into law, seeking to exclude from the "permanent resident" definition any person who, in the opinion of the Governor-in-Council, was undesirable and, as such, should be excluded from that definition "in the interests of the Colony". Hitherto, any person who had resided for a period of five years could go to the Principal Immigration Officer and obtain from him a certificate of "permanent residence" and having thus got the certificate could leave the Colony and had to be accepted back even though he might be a "dangerous" person. This Amendment now deprives any person of such an advantage and could be shut out from re-entering the Colony if the Governor-in-Council so desired.

"A QUEER ANOMALY"

Under the caption "THE FIRST VICTIM IS CLAIMED", the Independent, progressive Indian daily of Nairobi, the DAILY CHRONICLE, commented: "Mr. Makhan Singh's case presents a queer anomaly. After repeated and hard fights in Courts of Law, he was granted his right to be recognized as a permanent resident in this Colony. Two attempts by the Immigration Office to disodge him from his position were frustrated by judicial decision. And now, a simple amendment, quietly proposed and swiftly adopted, has undone all that the courts had done to recognize Makhan Singh's status as a citizen.

It is gathered that an application by way of a WRIT OF CERTIORARI to set aside the order of the Principal Immigration Officer refusing Makhan Singh a permanent residence certificate will be filed in the Supreme Court of Kenya.

The mass outbreaks of "riots" in Durban which resulted in the wholesale killings of Indians by Africans have elicited editorial comments in almost all leading newspapers in Kenya—both European and Indian.

NO LOGIC IN ATTACK BY AFRICANS

Under the caption RACE RELATIONS, the European owned daily of Nairobi, "East African Standard", wrote: "It was certain that some theorists would seek to find the explanation in the policy of the Government though there is clearly no logic in an attack by Africans on the Indian population as a protest against a policy from which both races suffer equal disability".

Declaring that the origin of the troubles lay in economic conditions, the paper concluded: "In South Africa, as elsewhere, particularly in the crowded urban areas, the pressure of the abnormal economic conditions of the times upon those whose margins are small is continuing and even increasing. One of the urgent tasks of Governments is to see what can be done to ease the stresses and provide for social security and, in doing so, to give what protection can be given by law and authority to all who, through force of their circumstances, are easy victims of undesirable and anti-social systems or practices."

NOT SURPRISING

"It is not surprising to read", wrote the British-edited weekly, "Sunday Post", "that one of the sparks that caused the conflagration was probably the blackmarketing methods of some Indian traders, resulting in short supplies of, and high prices for, essential commodities for the African".

Declaring that the outcome of the promised Inquiry will have some lessons for Kenya, the paper concluded: "That the tragedy of Durban was caused entirely by such malpractices, it is hard to believe—and they have yet to be proved. Quite apart from the causes, the appalling results in a city which one would have thought was sufficiently policed and prepared in other ways for such an emergency, provide a lesson for the Authorities in Kenya which they would be unwise to ignore."

But the Indian press has been completely unanimous in the assessment of the root causes of the "riots" in Durban. They have attributed the causes to the "apartheid' 'policy of the Malan Government.

RACIAL POLICY WRONG

Dismissing the reasons given by the Deputy Commissioner of Police who traced the origin of the "riots" in the blackmarketing by Indians and lineley assaults on Africans as "sham reasons", the COLONIAL TIMES of Nairobi, wrote: "The Malan Government cannot escape blame for the riots. They have failed to secure peace within their territory. It took them three days to bring the situation under control. Above all, they have spread the doctrine of race-hatred throughout the Union. The speeches and actions of the Ministers of State have led to a widespread impression that the Indians of South Africa have no right to remain there; that they are outlaws and may be treated as such."

The Malan government, concluded the paper, will one day have to admit that their racial policy was wrong. That day can be brought nearer by co-operation among all the victims of that policy. Let us hope, the recent riots prove to be another nail in the coffin of the Nationalist Party and its racial arrogance.

RIOTS WERE PREMEDITATED

The outspoken and progressive Indian daily of Nairobi, DAILY CHRONICLE, in a leading article commented: "A very significant factor which lends support to the assumption that the riots were premeditated is the fact that a European was actually caught in the act of inciting violence. What greater proof than that could be asked?" argues the Chronicle.

"The entire outside world has been unanimous in its veiw that, indirectly, the riots had resulted from the racialist practices of successive Union Governments. If the Whites of South Africa think they can get rid of the Indian population by exciting African violence against them, then it is time that they heeded the warning that acts of bloodshed have the peculiar habit of echoing farther than they are intended. The fire of race-hatred that the Union Government is seeking to kindle within the friendly non-European community will undoubtedly rise to such proportions that even the Europeans cannot hope to remain out of the reach of its flames for long." concluded the "Chronicle".

WORK FOR UNITY

Maintaining that the "riots" have disfigured the fair face of Durban, the GOAN VOICE of Nairobi, wrote: "If this is the danger signal for South Africa, a promising future for Dr. Malan cannot be foreshadowed during his tenure of office unless and until he make these rioters have a wholesome respect for law and order.

"Dr. Malan should work for the unity of South Africans", concluded the paper, "irrespective of class, colour or creed, that is to say, he should work for one race, one nation and one people. One can understand the grievances of Africans. They do not want foreigners who come to their country, make money, enjoy all its advantages of climate and easy living but are not willing to help them in their economic difficulties. They are not admitted to partnership in business or even encouraged to join them. This is sheer selfishness."

BRAR INSPECTS CADETS

MAJOR-GENERAL BRAR, INSPECTING THE CADETS AT PODAR COLLEGE, MATUNGA.

BRAR CONGRATULATES CADET CORPS

Inspects Battalion At Ceremonial Parade

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Addressing the officers and men of the 3rd Bombay Battalion, National Cadet Corps here today Major General D. S. Brar, O.B.E., G.O.C. Bombay Area advised them to keep up the high standard of efficiency which he had noticed in the cadets while inspecting different platoons. Major General Brar who inspected the battalion at a ceremonial parade this afternoon at the Podar College playground at Matunga said that he was very pleased to see that more and more college students were taking interest in the National Cadet Corps.

The Major-General continuing said that the standard and discipline of the Indian army was very high and that it was second to none in the world. They have proved it by their 'police action' in Hyderabad and also in Kashmir.

The purpose of the army, he said, was to defend the country. India, although a very powerful country in Asia, was always a non-violent and non-aggressive nation but they should always be prepared to take to arms in case any nation was aggressive towards their motherland and that was why he wanted more and more college students to take interest in the National Cadet Corps.

Speaking about the 3rd Battalion of N.C.C. the Major-General said that their achievements in a short period were very great and he congratulated the officers and men for their standard and discipline.

IGATPURI BAN ON MEETINGS WITHDRAWN

The District Magistrate of Nasik has cancelled his order, df January 18 last, prohibiting meetings in Igatpuri taluka.

WOMAN GAGGED & ROBBED

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Ornaments worth Rs. 12,00 were forcibly removed from the person of Mrs. Rajanna Ramchandran, wife of the Officer Commanding of the M.T.S. Depot, Kandivli today afternoon by an unknown person after she was gagged and assaulted while she was alone in her house at Sion Road, the Kingsway Police reported.

At about 12-30 this afternoon, the police stated, a stranger called at the house of the officer, Manohar Villa at Sion, posing himself as his messenger. He told the woman, who was all alone in the house, that he had sent by her husband to get a handbag to buy rations for them. The woman, without the least suspicion, went to the kitchen to fetch the handbag. The visitor, it is alleged, followed her and suddenly caught hold of her whereupon she raised an alarm. The assailant rendered her helpless by gagging her and severely assulted her, and forcibly removed from her person two gold chains and a pair of bangles and made good his escape.

Dy. Inspector Patel of the Kingsway Police is making enquires.

City Welcomes Jamiatul-Ulema Delegation

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A Delegation of the Central Jamiataul-Ulema Hind Delhi arrived today in Bombay and was received at the Central station by Moulana Abdul Aziz Bihari and Hakim Azmi, president and General Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Jamiatul-Ulema. It is composed over the following U'emas.

Moulvi Hameed Ahmed, Moulana Mohammad Mian, Moulvi Mohamed Ismail M.L.A., Moulvi Abdul Majid Dehlavi. Members of the delegation will attend a public meeting today at 9-30 P.M. (S.T.) and tomorrow at 9-30 P.M. S.T. at Willingdon Garden Ripon Road and at Mastan Talao.

The delegation will speak on Hindu Muslim unity and what Muslim should do in future.

The delegation will leave for Poona on Friday and tour the province later on.

Local Self-Government Institute

(BOMBAY PROVINCE.)

L. S. G. D. EXAMINATION RESULTS.

(July-December 1948.)

The following students have passed the L. S. G. D. Examination held in the month of December, 1948:

(In order of Merits.)

1. Mr. Amrute, Govind Hari (with distinction); 2. Mr. Prabu, Shamsunder Shrikant (with distinction); 3. Mr. Patel, Kasanji Gulabbhai; 4. Mr. Kadri, Syed Kutubuddin; 5. Mr. Patel, Somabhai Becharbhai; 6. Mr. Anwar, Ibne Haidar; 7. Mr. Ghayal, V. S.; 8. Mr. More, D. N.; 9. Mr. Shah, K. M.; 10. Mr. Ganoo, M. G.; 11. Mr. Rawal, T. P.; 12. Mr. Karlekar, P. G.; 13. Mr. Kane, M. G.; 14. Mr. Bordiwala, P. C.; 15. Mr. Kulkarni, V. G.; 16. Mr. Parulekar, D. B.; 17. Mr. Manik, N. M.; 18. Mr. Nigam, D. R.; 19. Mr. Yudhistirsing, Bhargav; 20. Mr. Vartak, H. S.; 21. Mr. Dinganker, D. M.; 22. Mr. Tamhanker, N. G.; 23. Mr. Main, S. S.; 24. Mr. Gangadhare, D. G.; 25. Mr. Mago, Pran Nath; 26. Mr. Oak V. V.; 27. Mr. Arolkar, N. S.; 28. Mr. Joshi V. C.; 29. Mr. Kharkar, A. K.; 30. Mr. Palthankar, W. V.; and 31. Mr. Joshi, Pt. Brij Mohan.

EXEMPTION LIST.

The following students git exemption in the paper marked against their names:—

Names of the Student	Paper I	Paper II	Paper III
1. Mr. Gyan Datta Sharma	1	2	...
2. Mr. Bandukwalla Z. T.	1	2	...
3. Mr. Maniar Mahmud Main, Abdul Gani	1	...	..
4. Mr. Pradhan D. M.	1	2	..
5. Mr. Patil G. N	1	2	3

Note:—The result of Mr. Godbole, B. V. is reserved.

Taluka And Petha Libraries

The Government of Bombay has recognised 33 libraries in the Province as taluka or petha libraries for the current financial year and the next. Each of these libraries will be paid grant-in-aid of Rs. 450 during the current financial year. Among the conditions accepted by these libraries for being recognised as taluka or petha libraries are that entrance is not barred to any person on grounds of sex, caste or community and that one member nominated by the Government will be accepted on the committee of management.

Major-General Brar taking the salute.

CHANDA PAINTING EXHIBITION

Will Be Opened Today At Outram Road

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

An exhibition of paintings and drawings of Shrimati Ranee Chanda, a well-known artist of Santiniketan, will be held in Bombay from February 2 to February 10 under the auspices of Tagore Society of Bombay.

The exhibition will be declared open tomorrow (Wednesday) Feb. 2 at 5 p.m. by Mr. G. L. Mehta, President of the Indian Tariff Board, at the Institute of Foreign Languages Hall, Menkwa Building, Outram Road and will remain open to visitors from 12-30 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily till February 10.

The exhibition consists of four different groups. Portraits including autographed by Poet Rabindranath Tagore, Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Shimati Sarojini Naidu, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, C. F. Andrews, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Abanindranath Tagore; Santiniketan series in collaboration with the great Master, Abanindranath Tagore consist of various scenes of Internationally-famed Ashrama of the Poet; and other paintings, linecuts and drawings. Some of the most impressive among these include "Mother and Child", "The Winter Night", "The Midnight Moon", and tragic scenes of the Bengal Famine in 1943.

Aid To Backward Class Hostels For Girls

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Government of Bombay will pay monthly grants to all the aided Backward Class hostels for girls in the Province, recognised under the Ordinary Rules, on the following basis from the current financial year.

Stipends at Rs. 12, one cooly at Rs. 15, one servant at Rs. 15, rent of building at Rs. 25, contingencies at Rs. 10, pay of superintendent at Rs. 25 and clothing and medicines at Rs. 15.

The 12 Backward Class Hostels for girls started under the Ad Hoc Committee's scheme will be paid grants-in-aid on the above basis from the next financial year.

Employment Situation Improves

There was an appreciable rise in the number of persons placed in employment by the Employment Exchanges during December 1948. 24,164 men and women were placed in employment in this month as against 19,568 persons placed in Nov. last.

This was due to a slight improvement in the employment situation and the sub-offices of the Employment Exchanges being able to establish closer contact with employers. The total number of refugees placed in employment by the organisation up to the end of Dec. thus comes to 83,040.

The employment of women also registered a rise. 1,519 women applicants were found jobs during the month of Dec., the highest ever recorded for any single month.

NAGPUR, Feb. 1, (U. P. I.): The annual session of the Socialist Party of India which was scheduled to be held in Patna from February 20 to 22, has been postponed, and will now be held from March 6 to March 10 next.

"A MAJOR CATASTROPHE THREATENS S. AFRICA"

Beware Of Government's Sinister Policy Of Divide And Rule, Warns Dadoo

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON— There is a move here to start a fund for the relief of the victims of the Durban tragedy. Dr. Y. M. Dadoo, President of the Transvaal Indian Congress, who has been in this country for about three months has been asked by Indians in South Africa to stay on in London and explain to the public in Britain that unless urgent and effective measures were taken, a major catastrophe would threaten the people of South Africa. Dr. Dadoo has been in telephonic communication with African and Indian leaders in South Africa and is able to say that the primary and main responsibility for the Durban pogrom must fairly and squarely rest on the shoulders of the extremely reactionary and fascist Nationalist Party of Dr. Malan. While the Zulus were looting Indian houses, according to survivors, they were supplied petrol by mysterious men who arrived on the scene in lorries. The object of the mischief makers was clearly to set the Africans against Indians in the belief that finding life and property insecure Indians would leave South Africa and once Indian had left, the reactionary elements amongst the white population would be able to exploit the ignorant people of the country without hitch or hindrance. They little realised that no people could be exploited and oppressed for all time. Sooner or later the people would rise against the tyrants. The hand that has risen against the Indians today would one day rise against the African whites. In fact the reactionaries have set in motion forces that would one day destroy them. Even Europeans see this danger.

DADOO'S APPEAL

Dr. Dadoo has sent an urgent appeal to the national organisations of African and Indian people to beware of the Government's sinister policy of divide and rule in order to carry through its vicious policy of apartheid by weakening the growing strength of democratic forces. They must strengthen their organisational ties with the masses, and forge maximum unity for the struggle against apartheid and racial oppression. This united struggle, he says, must embrace all sections of the South African people, including all those Europeans who are against the policies of the present Government.

THE CAUSES

In order to find the causes of the terrible Durban outbreak, one must review the background of the situation which may be briefly summarised as follows:—

(i) The dire poverty and misery of the African masses and their ever worsening conditions.

(ii) The Broome Commission in 1948 reported that 23,000 Africans in Durban alone (the present figure is well over the 30,000 mark) were living in shacks under conditions which constituted a deadly menace to the health of all in and around Durban.

(iii) The Commission also reported that the infant mortality rate was the highest in the world and that the African people were riddled with tuberculosis, dysantry and venereal disease.

(iv) The Government of Dr. Malan has been conducting a violent campaign of race hatred in order to carry through its policy of apartheid or greater oppression of the non-white people.

ANTI-INDIAN CAMPAIGN

(v) An anti-Indian campaign had been let loose on the country by Government spokesmen and the Nationalist Party, that Indians were "a foreign and outlandish element", and they went to the extent of inciting the African people by false insinuations that the Indians were exploiting the African people.

(vi) An organised boycott campaign of Indian traders had been conducted under the auspices of the South African Protection League for the last two years. This sinister organisation has not only been arousing racial hatred amongst the Europeans against the Indians, to get them to boycott the Indian traders as well. It is reported that it has secured the employment of some Africans for this purpose.

(vii) There is no doubt that this movement iis inspired by quarters close to the Government.

(viii) The Government Party is stopping at nothing to carry out its fascist policy, for example:—

(a) Direct interference in the Trade Union movement in order to split the workers into white and non-white and the white workers in turn into African-speaking and English-speaking.

(b) Under the pretext of maintaining White supremacy, to mobilise European people for greater oppression of the non-white people.

(c) Attempt to secure the votes of a Zulu chief for the Nationalist candidate in the recent Senate election by a false promise to give Zululand self-Government.

On the other hand, sensing the dangers inherent in the policies of the Malan Government, there has been a growing movement of unity and co-operation between the African and Indian national Government as well as between them and the progressive sections of the Europeans for the defeat of the apartheid policy and the removal of the Malan Government from office.

THE INESCAPABLE CONCLUSIONS

It is in this situation, says Dr. Dadoo that the massacre in Durban took place. After a careful review of all the facts, one cannot escape the conclusion that the outbreak bore the semblance of an organised attack; that it was premeditated, although something went wrong with the timing; that the hidden hand of instigators lurks behind the events; that the Government's policy and actions are directly and indirectly responsible; that such events eminently suited the Government in order to weaken the growing opposition to the Government policy and that it may be used as a weapon to impose further restriction and repression on both the Indian and the African people;; that the activities of the South African Protection League are calculated to foster, inspire and extend to other parts the repititions of what happened at Durban."

NIGHT AIR MAILS

Service Inaugurated In Bombay

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

The inland night air mail and parcel service from Bombay was inaugurated last night at Santa Cruz.

The business community was quick to take advantage of the new facilities afforded by the postal department, said a G.P.O. official, but greater benefit could be derived from this scheme if the public posted their letters earlier in the afternoon.

Literature Forfeited

The Government of the Central Provinces and Berar has issued a notification declaring to be forfeited to His Majesty all copies of the issues of the newspapers (1) 'Hyderabad', in English and Urdu, of July 6, 1948, published by the Information Bureau, Saifabad, Hyderabad (Deccan), (2) 'Ittehad', in Urdu, of May 11, 1948, published by Sultan Bin Umar and printed at Multa Islami Bazar, Nooral Umra, Hyderabad (Deccan); (3) 'Nawai-Il-Pakistan' in Urdu, of July 4, 1948, printed and published by Hakeem Khursheed Hussain and Haji Barkat Ali in Maqbul Am Press, Mochi Darwaja, Lahore and (4) 'Pakistan', in Urdu, of July 4, 1948, edited and published by Kamar Usmani, Daccca, East Pakistan.

BOMBAY, Tuesday: The three village improvement prizes for Satara district for the work done in the year 1947 have been awarded to the following villages: Yerawale in Karad taluka (Rs. 200), Sangwad in Patan taluka (Rs. 150) and Pulkoti in Man taluka (Rs. 100).

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.

Previous Closing	32.70
Today's Opening	32.72
Difference	+.02
Today's Closing	32.68
Difference	—7

LAST QUOTATIONS.

BOMBAY, Feb. 1.

	Rs.	As.
Silver Bullion Ready	186	6
Gold Ready	117	7
Sovereign	75	4

EXPECTATION:

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.

Opening prices:—

Anaconda Copper Mining unquoted.
General Motors dol. 61-1/8.
United States Steel Common dol. 77-1/2.
Ditto Pref. unquoted.

BOMBAY'S STREET-VENDORS

25. The Cobbler

Rooted to the spot where he awaits customers, the mochi is not only the poor man's cobbler. He serves the locality where he is planted, as it were. The array of rubber heels and soles indicate that he means serious business and, if only, like the man in the photograph, you are ready to stand barefoot and with twitching toes on the roadside, he will do your job for you. Patience and a certain freedom from self-consciousness are all that is needed. And it is better to wait, for with the usual cobbler, out of sight is often out of mind, and he may very probably start your work only when you come back for your shoes or chappals. But there are exceptions, and, for one knows, this might be one of them. Are there not expensive establishments which are unpunctual?

"SARVODAYA DAY"

Mass spinning was organised at Jinnah Hall, Bombay on Sunday. The picture shows Congressmen spinning to celebrate the day.

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Hyderabad Administration Is Like Care-Taker Government

WRONG TO CALL IT 'MILITARY,' SAYS SARDAR

No Nationalisation Of Imperial Bank At Present

TOO EARLY TO GAUGE SUCCESS OF ANTI-INFLATIONARY MEASURES, SAYS MATHAI

NEW DELHI, FEB. 1. (U.P.I.): THE HYDERABAD ISSUE FIGURED PROMINENTLY DURING THE QUESTION HOUR IN THE DOMINION PARLIAMENT WHICH COMMENCED ITS BUDGET SESSION THIS MORNING WITH MR. G. V. MAVLANKAR IN THE CHAIR. SARDAR PATEL, THE STATES MINISTER, REPLIED TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS IN DETAIL, SATISFYING ALL.

Replying to Mr. R. K. Sidhva, Sardar Patel disclosed that more than two lakhs eighty-one thousand arms of all description were recovered from Hyderabad during the 'police action' and after. They included 24,929 guns, 52,212 rifles, more than 1,35,000 swords of all types, 21,569 spears, spear heads etc. 22,853 daggers, knives, etc., ten 25-pounders and four 6-pounders.

Sardar Patel told Mr. Ananthasayaman Iyyangar that the search for arms was now almost complete.

Asked whether any other foreigner besides Sydney Cotton was involved in the smuggling of arms into the State, Sardar Patel replied that it was not known to the Government whether any other people were involved in such activities.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel informed Mr. R. K. Sidhwa that about 7,500 Razakars had been arrested and detained in jails within the State and about 2,800 had been transferred to jails in the Bombay Province. Their cases were under investigation. When sufficient evidence against any of them was not forthcoming, he was being released under orders of the Civil Administrator of the district concerned. The cases against the rest would be put in court as and when they were ready. No Razakar had been deported.

Asked if it was a fact that a Razakar leader escaped from Osmania Hospital while he was under treatment there Sardar Patel said that he did not know but it was possible.

RAZVI TO BE CONSULTED ON VENUE OF TRIAL

Replying to Mr. Tajmul Hussain who asked whether the Government would consider the question of trying Kasim Rezvi in the Red Fort where he wanted to come, Sardar Patel said that they were enquiring into the desire of the prisoner.

Sardar Patel informed Mr. Sidhwa that the investigations about the allegations of misappropriation of State money by the Laik Ali Ministry had not been completed as yet.

Sardar Patel also informed Mr. Sidhwa that as a result of enquiry it was established that "no member of the Constituent Assembly of India drew or now draws pension from the Hyderabad State Treasury". No information, however, was available regarding disbursements from the personal funds of the Nizam.

Asked by Mr. Sidhwa if any member drew pension in the past Sardar Patel said any member might have drawn pension from the Hyderabad State Government in the past for services rendered. But at present no member was drawing pension from Hyderabad State Treasury.

The question of election of members to the Constituent Assembly from the Bhopal State and merger of Bhopal with Madhyabharat was raised by Mr. R. K. Sidhwa.

Sardar Patel said that the whole question of the future of Bhopal State was at present under discussion between the State Ministry and the Nawab and asked the member to await the result.

REVENUE FROM OPIUM

"The total revenue derived from sale of opium by the Provinces during the year 1947 was Rs. 4,24,81,970. Figures relating to the revenue derived by the States from poppy cultivations as such are not available. The total revenue derived from opium by opium producing States during the year 1947 was Rs. 32,33,455."

This was revealed by Dr. John Mathai, Finance Minister, in reply to a question from Pandit Laxmi Narain Sahu.

Replying to a supplementary question by Lala Deshbandhu Gupta as to whether the Government of India would take into account the desirability of having control over the export of opium to foreign countries, Dr. Mathai said: "I will have that looked into."

Mr. Deshbandhu Gupta: "Is Government aware of the fact that Assam is a province where illicit trade in opium is very large?"

Dr. Mathai: "Not to my knowledge."

IMPORT OF FOREIGN LIQUOR

To another question relating to the import of foreign liquor imported into India put by Mr. Laxmi Narain Sahu, Dr. Mathai said the quantity of foreign liqfior imported into India during the year 1947-48 was 1,792,865 imperial gallons. He added that Prohibition had been introuced wholly or partially in the provinces of Madras, Bombay, U.P., East Punjab and Central Provinces and Berar and Orissa.

Answering supplementaries Dr. Mathai said that the total revenue realised by the Government by way of taxes and super taxes on imported liquor in the period 1947-48 was Rs. 42.5 crores although he did not know the total value in terms of money of the liquor imported.

To another question as to whether the Government of India would consider imposition of restrictions on the use of foreign liquor in Delhi as those prevailed in Bombay, Dr. Mathai said that the matter would be looked into.

REDUCTION OF STAFF RECOMMENDED

Dr. John Mathai, Finance Minister informed Mr. Sidhva that interim reports of the Economy Committee on some of the Ministries had been received and were under examination, pending receipt of the final reports. Generally, these interim reports, said Dr. Mathai, recommended reduction of staff in varying degrees in different Ministries.

Government would announce their decision, he added, as early as possible after receipt of the final report.

Asked by Mr. Sidhva whether the Committee had recommended abolition of posts of Assistant Secretaries, the Finance Minister said that the proposals were of wide variety and it was difficult to say if any suggestion or recommendation was made.

Mr. Sidhva: Will the Government consider the report of each Ministry separately?

Dr. Mathai: In a matter of this kind it is necessary for Government to have a complete picture before them.

Mr. Shiva Rao: Will the House have opportunity to consider the report?

Dr. Mathai: Yes.

Mrs. Ray: Have any recommendations been made for retrenchment in nation-building departments?

Dr. Mathai: The Hon'ble Member should wait till the full report is received.

Pandit Maitre: Will the House be enlightened on the procedure for consideration of the report.

Dr. Mathai: The procedure is, firstly, these proposals are examined by Ministries concerned and when they have come to a provisional decision, it will be placed before the Committee of the Cabinet and later on Government as a whole will consider it.

PLEA FOR UNIFORM SCALES FOR MALE & FEMALE NURSES

Replying to a question by Sardar Bhopindar Singh relating to the introduction of uniform scales of pay for male and female nurses in hospitals, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur said that the pay scales of nurses both male and female, were fixed by Provincial Governments.

In some provinces, as for example, Madras, the scales of pay were identical, but in others there was disparity.

She accounted for the disparity in three ways: (1) due to comparative lack of demand for male nurses, (2) the difference in training and examination standards of male nurses and (3) male nurses were employed in male wards or dispensaries whereas women nurses were employed in all types of wards.

She also said that the matter of prescribing a uniform standard for training as well as for pay for both male and women nurses had already been taken up by the Ministry of Health.

INTERIM MINISTRY FOR PATIALA & E. PUNJAB STATES

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, States Minister, said that the formation of an Interim Popular Ministry for the Patiala and East Punjab States Union had been announced and the Ministry had been functioning since January 20. This was in reply to a question in this regard by Sardar Bhopindar Singh.

Sardar Patel also announced that the Patiala and East Punjab States Union authorities were now preparing the electoral rolls for elections to the Constituent Assembly in the Union to be held shortly.

In reply to several supplementaries Sardar Patel said that all the three parties, namely, Praja Parishad, Akali and Lok Sabha had been represented in the Interim Ministry.

Sardar Bhopindar Singh desired to know the names of the representatives of the Akali Party in the Ministry but the States Minister said that he was not in a position to give him the names.

In answer to a further supplementary, Sardar Patel said amongst cheers that the Akali Party as such was not recognised by the Government of India, but their members had been consulted and represented in the Interim Government. Such members were taken to hold the view points of the Akalis.

HYDERABAD POLICE ACTION

In a written answer to a question by Pandit Mukut Bihari Lal Bhargava as to the amount of expenditure in the Hyderabad police action, the time spent, and casualties among army soldiers and the Nizam's forces, Sardar Patel said that an estimate of the expenditure incurred in connection with the police action was being compiled.

Giving figures relating to the actual operations he stated that the actual operations took four and a half days. The total killed, wounded, missing and captured, respectively, 3259; 321; 24 and 3364. Casualties among Indian Army personnel were 42 killed, 97 wounded and and 24 missing.

In a written reply to another question by Mr. Mukut Bhiari Lal Bhargava as regards the number of Hindus who had left Hyderabad during the Razakar activities, Sardar Patel said that their number was approximately 4,23,000.

REFUGEES RETURNING

To another part of the question whether the Military Administration had restored confidence among the public and whether they were returning to the State territory, the States Minister said that the Military Administration had restored confidence as a result of which most of the refugees had since returned. The Military Administration was doing everything possible to rehabilitate them.

In reply to another question from the same member relating to the extent of looted property recovered by the military authorities Sardar Patel said that according to reports from the Military Administration in Hyderabad, a large proportion of the looted property had been recovered and restored by the military to their original owners. Further details were not available.

Sardar Patel also said in reply to a further question from Mr. Mukut Bihari Lal Bhargava that nine members of the Laik Ali Ministry were now under detention. Investigations were still in progress and action could be taken against them only after enquiries had been completed.

Sardar Patel also revealed that about 12,800 Razakars and their sympathisers were taken into custody. After enjuiries about 2,400 had been released and about 7,500 were awaiting trial in the State.

As regards the activities of Communists in the State, Sardar Patel said that the activities of the Communists were confined mainly to the districts of Warangal and Nalgonda. They had never openly come into clash with the Indian armed forces, but cases had occurred where they had fired at long range on Indian troops. A large number of arrests had been made.

IT'S A CARE-TAKER GOVT.

Replying to another question by Pandit Mukut Bihari Lal Bhargava as to how long the military administration in Hyderabad would be maintained, Sardar Patel said that it was incorrect to call the present administration in Hyderabad a military administration. Because, he said, the Military Governor was assisted by civil administrator and the whole Government was in the nature of a care-taker Government which would be replaced by a popular government when proper conditions for the smooth and efficient functioning of that Government were created.

Sardar Patel also revealed that simultaneously with the Nizam's firman in December last, dissolving the Hyderabad Legislative Assembly a regulation called "Hyderabad Constituent Assembly Preparation of Electoral Rolls Regulation of 1948" was promulgated empowering the Election Commissioner to take such measures and rules as he deemed fit for the preparation of electoral rolls.

Sardar Patel said: 'I take the liberty of addressing you in regard to the treatment of the three subjects, namely, external relations, defence and communications. I desire to make it clear that the Hyderabad State has no external relations and never had any, whether before or after the 15th August, 1947. I desire that this subject may continue to be treated as the concern of the Government of India. With respect to the other two subjects of defence and communications, I wish that they should continue to be controlled by the Government of India".

CENTRAL PAY COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Replying to a question whether the Government of India had implemented the recommendations of the Central Pay Commission regarding grant of house rent and compensatory allowance to Government employees on the present population basis, the Finance Minister, Dr. Mathai said that the Government had implemented the recommendations of the Central Pay Commission. He further said that the allowances had been given on the basis of population figures according to 1941 census. Government, however, were reviewing concessions in the light of possible growth of population in certain towns since 1941 and hoped to come to a decision shortly.

Replying to Prof. Ranga how much dollar exchange had been placed at the disposal of India by the World Bank, the Finance Minister announced that he was making a statement on the subject later in the day.

Replying to another question by Prof. Ranga whether any proposal had been made by the Government of India for formulation by U.S.A. of an Asiatic Aid programme on lines of the Marshall Plan and, if not, whether the Government were doing so to develop the economic resources of India and other Asiatic countries, the Finance Minister said no proposal had been made. He pointed out that the question of development of economic resources of Asiatic countries had been subject of special study by the Economic Commission for Asia and Far East of which India was a member. Meetings of this Commission were held in India and more recently in Australia, and India had taken part in discussions. The means by which the economics of the countries could be developed were under continual examination by this regional organisation and the Government was examining all possible means.

Replying to a supplementary question the Finance Minister said that the Government were considering proposals made by member-States of the Organisation.

1,305 CASES REFERRED TO INCOME-TAX COMMISSION

Prof. Ranga asked the number of cases which had been referred to the Income-tax Investigation Commission, the number of cases which had been disposed of and with what results and whether the Commission had estimated the time it might take to complete investigation.

The Finance Minister said that there were 1,305 cases; four cases were disposed of and the revenue involved was substantial, but the exact amount of tax had not been determined. No time limit was fixed to complete the Commission's investigations.

Replying to a number of supplementary questions, the Finance Minister maintained that the progress of the Commission was not slow and it was incorrect to say that his Ministry and the Provincial Ministries were not co-operating.

Mahabir Tyagi asked whether the Finance Minister could give the name of four cases referred to by him in his reply, the Finance Minister replied that it was not in the public interest to reveal their names.

Replying to the suggestion that the Commission should submit an interim report, the Finance Minister replied in the affirmative and said it was postponed as an anti-inflationary measure for a period of three years from the date on which the refund otherwise would have fallen due.

Rajkumri Amrit Kaur admitted in reply to a question that there was not enough accommodation for the College of Nursing in Delhi.

Replying to a question, Maulana Azad informed the House that scholarships to scheduled castes were placed in lump sum at the disposal of the head of the institutions with instructions to disburse them in monthly instalments.

AID TO KASHMIR

Sardar Patel replying to a question on the expenditure on supplies and services to Jammu and Kashmir State apart from the expenses on military operations, informed the House that the expenditure incurred in aid to Kashmir in respect of supplies and services (excluding expenditure on capital works but including expenditure on the restoration of Mohara Power House) as estimated to be Rs. 16-09,000 of which Rs. 4,51,000 was spent in 1947-48 and Rs. 11,58,000 in 1948-49.

He also informed the House that the capital work on which expenditure had been incurred was the Jammu-Pathankot Road within the Kashmir territory, which was estimated at Rs. 1,59,82,000.

Replying to a supplementary question whether loan was given to the Jammu and Kashmir State, Sardar Patel said: "Yes". He, however dio not answer when asked on what security the loan was given.

LOANS FLOATED IN 1948

The Finance Minister informed the House in reply to a question that the Central Government had floated two loans and the Government of C. P. and Berar one loan during 1948. The total subscriptions to the Central loans amounted to Rs. 55,01,96,500 and to the provincial loan Rs. 203,23,000.

Replying to a question as to what steps the Government were taking to implement the recommendations of the Committee of Economists and the Congress Party regarding inflation, and what measures were taken to put down and control inflation the Finance Minister invited the attention of the House to press communiques issued by Government from time to time since Oct. 4 and said that it was too early to gauge the success of the measures announced.

He also said that the rising trend of prices had been checked, and there were indications that a downward movement was within sight.

CONTRACTION OF CURRENCY

Replying to a question by Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar as to the total number of currency notes in circulation in December 1948, the Finance Minister said there were currency notes of about 1,200 crores of rupees in circulation. There was no expansion of currency during the second half of 1948; on the other hand, there was a net contraction of currency to the extent of about 100 crores of rupees, including about Rs. 41 crores returned from Pakistan, he added. Replying to a question as to whether Government had made any progress in the campaign of compulsory savings, the Finance Minister said that no such scheme was introduced by the Government.

NO NATIONALISATION OF IMPERIAL BANK YET

Replying to another question, relating to nationalisation of the Imperial Bank of India, the Finance Minister observed that in the light of examination of the technical questions and in view of possible repercussions on the investment market and of the existing unsettled economic conditions in the country, the Government did not consider it feasible to proceed at present with the nationalisation of the Imperial Bank of India.

SOLDIERS FIRE AT POLICE

Sardar Patel was asked whether it was a fact that policemen on duty were fired at by soldiers on the night of Jan. 11, 1949, in Delhi resulting in injuries to five persons and whether soldiers concerned were arrested, and if so, what action was being taken to prosecute them and to compensate the injured persons.

The Home Minister replying in the affirmative said that six persons, including three constables were injured. Two of the injured including one constable, succumbed to their injuries. Except one constable who was making progress in hospital, the rest had been discharged, he said.

He informed that soldiers concerned had been arrested and the case against them was under investigation. The question of compensating the injured persons and the deceased was being taken up, he addfamilies of the deceased was being taken up, he added.

DELEGATION'S VISIT TO BURMA POSTPONED

NEW DELHI, February 1. (U.P.I.): The Indian delegation to Burma led by Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya Congress President, which was to have left Delhi today for Calcutta by air 'en route' to Rangoon, has postponed at the eleventh hour its departure 'sine die'.

It is learned that this decision followed receipt of a telegram from Rangoon this morning intimating the Government of Burma's preoccupation at the moment.

It may be noted that the Indian delegation was proceeding to Burma to discuss matters arising out of the Land Nationalisation Bill with the Government of Burma and study the problems of Indians in that country.

NEW ARMY ASSIGNMENT FOR QUEEN MARY

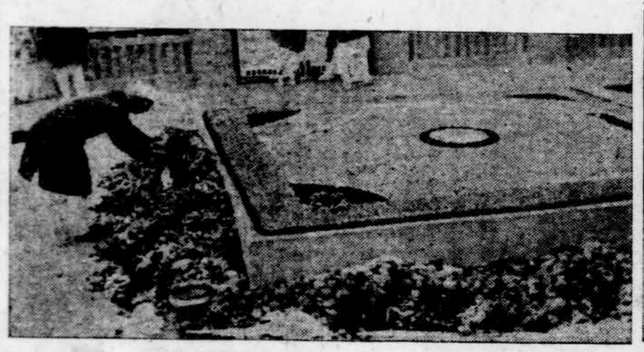
LONDON, Jan. 31 (Reuter): The King has appointed the Queen as Commandant-in-Chief of the Women's section of the British Army, the Women's Royal Army Corps, until recently known as the Auxiliary Territorial Service.

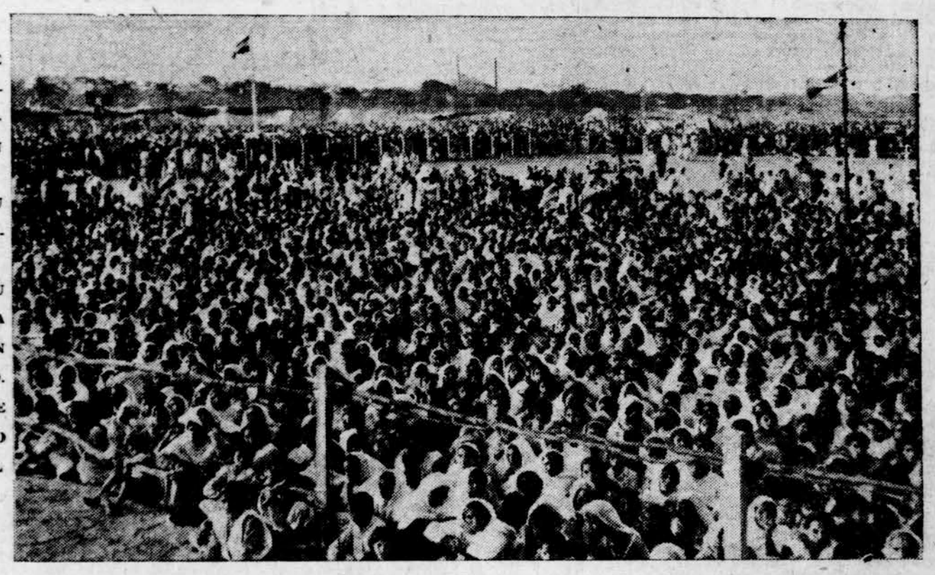
The Princess Royal is to be promoted from temporary Chief Controller to Chief Controller and also to be Controller Commandant.

Queen Mary, who is 81 has accepted the appointment of Commander-in-Chief of Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps which is to form a Corps of the regular army from tomorrow.

MADRAS, Feb. 1, (A. P. I.): A special session of the All-India National Medical Conference will be held in Madras on February 27 and 28.

DELHI'S HOMAGE TO GANDHIJI





MORE THAN A MILLION PEOPLE PAID THEIR HOMAGE AT RAJGHAT ON THE DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF MAHATMA GANDHI ON JANUARY 30.

(TOP LEFT): PANDIT NEHRU PLACING A WREATH ON THE 'SAMADHI'.

(TOP RIGHT): PANDIT NEHRU TAKING PART IN THE CHARKHA SPINNING HELD AT RAJGHAT IN WHICH 500 PEOPLE PARTICIPATED.

(RIGHT): A SECTION OF THE CROWD WHICH ASSEMBLED TO TAKE PART IN THE SPECIAL PRAYER MEETING.

MUTT AND JEFF—Now All Jeff Has To Do Is To Pull The Dirt Onto Himself

By BUD FISHER

THIS IS ABOUT THE WORST JOB I EVER HAD!
JEFF--WANNA GOOD JOB AS A STUNT MAN IN THE MOVIES?
OH, BOY, DO I? WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?
JUMP OFF THIS FORTY-FOOT CLIFF!
OFF THIS FORTY-FOOT CLIFF? INTO WHAT?
INTO THIS WATER!
WATER? THIS WATER IS ONLY A FOOT DEEP!
YOU DON'T THINK I'D WANT YOU TO DROWN-DO YOU?
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